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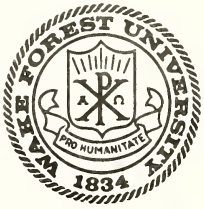

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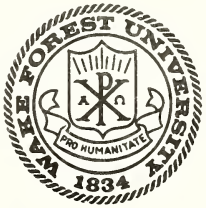

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G. A. Martin.....Thomasville, N. C.
O. A. Keller.....Wallburg, N. C.
M. L. Kesler.....Thomasville, N. C.
M. J. Leach.....Lassiter, N. C.
J. D. Newton.....Thomasville, N. C.
Henry Sheets .....Lexington, N. C.
S. D. Swaim.....Lexington, N. C.
John T. Jenkins.....Lexington, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green,
P. S. Vann, P. M. Snider.

PROCEEDINGS.

September 5, 1911.

The seventy-eighth annual session of the Liberty Baptist Association met in Abbott's Creek Church on September 5, 1911.

In the absence of T. S. Crutchfield and Jeff Lanning, the appointee and the alternate appointee, the Introductory Sermon was preached by G. A. Martin. His text was "Thou shalt see greater things than these." John 1:50.

The Association was then organized for business. Archibald Johnson and J. T. Valentine were appointed to read the letters from the churches.

The following churches were represented by letters, and the names of the delegates present are here given:

Abbott's Creek—P. R. Bodenhamer, W. S. Hayworth, D. H. Bodenhamer.
Center Hill—
Denton—W. T. Tysinger, J. H. Snider.
Gravel Hill—
Holloways—W. H. Johnson, T. L. Palmer, B. R. Cross.
Jersey—D. C. Sharp, Roby B. Snider, Jno. Sharpe.
Lexington—P. S. Vann.
Liberty—H. L. Black, J. M. Easter.
Lick Creek—P. M. Snider, N. R. Kinney, Walter Surratt.
Mount Lebanon—
New Friendship—Erastus Swaim, A. J. Hartman, A. P. Snider.
Orphanage—M. L. Kesler, S. H. Averitt, J. D. Newton.
Piney—Gray Sowers, Early Smith.
Reeds—W. B. Hunt, J. N. Myers.
Rich Fork—Robert Bowers, Samuel Edinger.
Smith Grove—J. B. Brewer, G. C. Orrell.
Stoner's Grove—J. M. Denney, L. C. Lomax.
Summerville—C. B. Wall.
Taylor's Grove—
Thomasville—J. T. Valentine, A. Johnson, W. G. Fitzgerald.
Wallburg—C. M. Wall, C. C. Smith, P. N. Motsinger.

After the reading of the letters from the churches, the Association instructed the Clerk to cast the vote electing Henry Sheets, Moderator. S. H. Averitt was then elected Treasurer for the Association. P. S. Vann was continued as Clerk.

The Moderator appointed Thomas Carrick, Archibald Johnson, and O. A. Keller Committee on Order of Business.

On motion of Archibald Johnson, it was carried to read no letters from the churches to the Association, if not presented on the first day of the meeting.

C. M. Wall and W. B. Hunt were appointed finance committee.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with the Association and the following brethren were recognized: A. L. Betts, representing

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the Biblical Recorder; Livingston Johnson, Secretary of State Missions; H. A. Rowe, of Pilot Mountain Association.

The following report on Order of Business was adopted:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Tuesday.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon—Organization.

Afternoon.

2:00 to 3:00—Reading Church Letters.
3:00 to 3:30—State Missions.
3:30 to 4:30—Biblical Recorder.

Wednesday.

9:30 to 9:45—Devotional Exercises.
9:45 to 10:00—Miscellaneous Business.
10:00 to 10:45—Sunday Schools.
10:45 to 11:45—Foreign Missions.
11:45 to 12:30—Education.

Afternoon.

1:30 to 2:15—Home Missions.
2:15 to 3:00—Orphanage.
3:00 to 4:30—Liberty-Piedmont Institute.

Thursday.

9:30 to 9:45—Devotional Exercises.
9:45 to 10:45—Woman's Work.
10:45 to 11:15—Ministerial Relief.
11:15 to 12:30—Miscellaneous Business.

The Association was adjourned for dinner until 2:00 o'clock p. m.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the body to order at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

W. G. Fitzgerald read the following

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

In an address prepared and sent out to the Baptists of North Carolina, more than eighty years ago, it was declared that all missions were substantially the same and that the primary object of the State Convention at the then present time was to repair the waste places of the State. That being the object of the Convention more than eighty years ago, by looking about us, we can see now how well they lived up to their motto. It would take more space, and tax your patience, for me to undertake to enumerate here the then waste places that have been repaired and have become, as it were, great fortresses for the Lord's cause and the Baptists of North Carolina. And while we have won many battles and built many of these forts for good, yet there are a number of strategic points that should be charged and taken by the Baptists of North Carolina, for our cause, and we can take these places if we will go forward at our Lord's command with the zeal and courage that our fathers had nearly a century ago.

And to the churches of this the Liberty Association, I want to say, in conclusion, let us as Churches, and as individuals forever destroy

that copper or penny and nickel banner that we have been carrying so long, and let us have a new banner of silver and gold, and go forward.

W. G. FITZGERALD,
For the Committee.

The report was discussed by Livingston Johnson, O. A. Keller, Archibald Johnson, S. D. Swaim, Henry Sheets and G. A. Martin.

Pledges were taken on State Missions amounting to $446.50.

The report was then adopted.

Archibald Johnson read the following

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER.

It will give the friends of the Recorder pleasure to know that it is to have a home of its own on a good street and in a favorable location. This building will not only accommodate the Recorder force, but will also be headquarters for our mission and Sunday School work, and will become the center of things for the denominational interests of our State.

Under the admirable business management of Rev. J. S. Farmer the Recorder is on a sound financial footing; but only six per cent. of its profits goes into the pockets of its stockholders; the rest, be it much or little, is put into the paper and its equipment. It is not a money making institution except for the general interests of the denomination.

We are delighted to commend to all our people the editorial management of our paper. Rev. Hight C. Moore is especially qualified by nature, by grace and by a valuable experience to control the policy of the paper and to furnish to its thousands of readers the very matter they need to stimulate, inspire and inform. It is firm without being fussy, strong without the spirit of stubbornness, orthodox without arrogance. It is edited with exceeding care and represents at all times the very best and highest in the denominational life.

It is in every sense of the word a product of North Carolina and breathes the Tarheel spirit from cover to cover. It does not attempt to stand for the whole world, or even to be the mouthpiece of Southern Baptists. While it is in line with the policy of the Southern Baptist Convention its chief concern and its great ambition is to strengthen the Baptist host of North Carolina and stand for their interests every day in the year.

We believe that one paper representing the denomination as a whole can be of greater service and wield a wider and more wholesome influence than two or more papers. One paper tends to unity and harmony in the denominational life; more than one, no matter how ably edited or how prudently conducted, would, in the nature of things, be promotive of discord and division. Therefore, we believe that our churches should discourage the establishment of any other denominational paper in North Carolina, and rally around the Recorder as the one standard bearer—the only mouthpiece of our great host.

We would urge upon our members the duty they owe to themselves and their families to take and read the Biblical Recorder; and we would respectfully request our pastors to use their utmost endeavor to place the paper in every home represented in the membership of their churches.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
J. T. VALENTINE,
Committee.

The report was discussed by A. L. Betts, Henry Sheets and Archibald Johnson. The report was adopted.

E. L. Middleton, Secretary of Sunday School Missions of the State, was recognized and welcomed as a visitor.

John T. Jenkins and G. A. Martin were welcomed as new pastors in the Association.

The Moderator appointed the following Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the next meeting of the Association: S. D. Swaim, P. M. Snider and J. N. Myers.

The Association was adjourned to meet the following morning at 9:30.

Prayer by A. L. Betts.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

September 6, 1911.

9:30 to 9:45 devotional exercises conducted by Jeff Lanning.

J. D. Newton read the following

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School is at last taking its rightful place in the Christian role of activity and is now regarded as one of the grandest movements of the times in the direction of bringing to pass the Scripture prophecy which states that the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the whole earth.

1. The growth of the Sunday School is a marvel. Twenty-eight million pupils in the Sunday Schools of the world. There are 165,000 in the Baptist Sunday Schools of the State. It is the desire of our leaders in the cause to enlist all the members of Baptist churches in North Carolina in the Sunday School work. This is an undertaking in which every member of a Sunday School and all the pastors may engage and at the same time feel that they are conferring untold blessings upon those whom they are successful in leading.

2. Efficiency seems to be the crying need of the cause almost everywhere. To this end much attention is being given to the training of teachers. Two things are absolutely necessary in the making of a successful Sunday School, namely, a trained teacher and a class that desires to learn the Word of God. Every teacher and every one who desires to become a teacher, should throw himself or herself in one or more institutes for the training of teachers each year and also secure the best books on teaching that can be had, regardless of cost.

3. The condition of the Sunday School work in the Liberty Association is the specific study and idea of this report. A few suggestions may be timely. The first is, that a Sunday School, meeting one day in seven, needs no vacation and therefore should run without cessation until the Judgment day. The second thing is, let every church have one or more Sunday Schools. No church can maintain its spiritual life without a Sunday School. The third suggestion is, that teachers meet together as often as is practicable for the study of the lessons and talk freely about conditions of the work.

J. D. NEWTON,
For the Committee.

The report was discussed by J. D. Newton and Secretary E. L. Middleton.

Pledges were taken and the report was adopted, after incorporating a report by Archibald Johnson, from the last Union meeting.

REPORT.

At the Union Meeting held at Jersey in July it was decided to organize a Sunday School Convention in the Liberty Association, the first meeting to be held at Wallburg on Friday and Saturday before the 5th Sunday in October.

K. R. Curtis, of Wallburg, was elected by the Association President of the Convention, and A. A. Keller, J. T. Jenkins and Archibald Johnson were appointed to prepare a program.

Pastor W. C. Tyree, of High Point, and G. E. Lineberry, Financial Agent of our Colleges and Schools, were recognized.

Thomas Carrick read the following

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature", is the marching order of the Captain of our Salvation. In this command we have the divine authority for sending the gospel to the nations of the earth.

Again, the Lord says, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." "As the Father has sent me even so send I you into the world." We cannot fail to realize the nature of this mission without misinterpreting the command of the Lord. To break this command to go is to become guilty before God. Upon obedience to this command depends the consummation of the Kingdom of God in the earth. Never before in the history of the church has this meant so much as it means to-day, for the doors of the nations of the world are now open to the missionary and the ascended Lord is calling to the Christians of the world, "Behold, I have set before you an open door." Everywhere the missionary has gone God is shaking the nations and they are lifting up their heads and bidding the King of Glory come in.

This makes the opportunity all the more urgent and our responsibility all the greater. We must realize that the hand of God has opened these doors and that we must go in now or he may close them forever.

The Foreign Mission Board came up last May with some debt and they are seeking continually to enlarge the work by occupying new fields.

Your committee would urge the churches to stand by and help the Board in the great work in which they are engaged.

THOMAS CARRICK,
N. R. TEAGUE,
Committee.

W. C. Tyree was given forty-five minutes to discuss this subject, and the report was adopted.

A motion was carried to give forty-five minutes to discuss the report on Ministerial Education.

G. A. Martin read the following:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

When the Baptist State Convention was organized our fathers saw the need of strong and efficient leadership for our churches. In this they were wise.

Accordingly the churches were called upon to pray and look for young men called of God to become their pastors and leaders. About the same time Wake Forest College was organized, the main purpose of which was to educate these young men and send them out prepared to do their best for God and the churches. The Board of Education is the agency charged with this particular work at present.

During last session sixty-two young men were aided by the Board, and a large number of applications for aid next year are already in the hands of Brother Cullom. The prospects are that the next session will show the largest number in the history of the Board. Let us rather rejoice at this and increase our pledges accordingly. When we give to Ministerial Education we give to every good cause for these men lead in the advancement of every benevolent work.

S. D. SWAIM,
For the Committee.

The report was discussed by G. E. Lineberry.

The Association was adjourned for one hour for dinner.

Prayer by W. C. Tyree.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

September 6, 1911.

The Moderator called Association to order at 2:00 o'clock. Prayer by A. Johnson.

S. H. Averitt, Jeff Lanning and M. L. Kesler were appointed to nominate the Executive Board of the Association.

M. L. Kesler offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Liberty Association endorse the effort to raise one hundred thousand dollars endowment for Meredith College be encouraged and that subscriptions from churches and individuals for that purpose be secured.

The committee on time, place and preacher for the next Association reported to meet in Stoner's Grove church, Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1912, and to preach the introductory sermon, John T. Jenkins; Alternate, O. A. Keller.

The report was adopted.

The following resolution by Thomas Carrick was adopted:

Moved and carried that the Executive Board make a report at each session of the Association of fields occupied, preachers engaged in the work and amounts apportioned for their support together with work done.

S. H. Averitt read the following

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

When our Savior gave to His disciples the command to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature beginning at Jerusalem He set forth the plan for mission work for all the ages. While we have no scriptural authority for placing one department of mission work above another in point of importance, it is evident that if we do no Home Mission work we will soon have no material for doing any other mission work. The fields that have been cultivated by the Home Mission Board have and are becoming mighty forces in evangelization of the world to-day. The Lord is greatly blessing this Southland of ours with material things and with this prosperity comes a great responsibility and obligation that we use these things to make the world better and the opportunity for doing this under the Home Board was never greater. Our mountain schools, twenty-eight in number, is possibly the most encouraging feature of our work. Many of us will soon pass off the stage of action, leaving the affairs of the Lord's Kingdom in the hands of the young men and women who are now being trained in these schools. Another feature, if not so encouraging, is nevertheless all important, namely: Our work among the foreign population of our cities. Realizing that there can be no effective work done without some knowledge of the work to be done and some definite plans for doing the same, we, your committee recommend:

1. That our churches take regular collections throughout the year for Home Missions.
2. That our pastors be requested to present the work of Home Missions to their churches at least once a year.
3. That a club of subscribers be raised in each church for the Home Field, and that we make use of the valuable literature sent out by the Home Board for the asking.

Respectfully submitted,
S. H. AVERITT,
T. H. SMALL, Committee.

It was voted to grant twenty-five minutes to discuss this report.

After the discussion by W. C. Tyree, pledges were taken, and the report was adopted.

C. M. Wall read the following

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE ORPHANAGE.

After some agitation by such men as Dr. Fleming, Dr. Gwaltney, Dr. Durham, Mills, Briggs and others a committee composed of Dr. Gwaltney, Dr. Fleming and J. H. Mills suggested by Dr. Durham to present a suitable resolution to the Baptist State Convention. The Convention met with the first Baptist church of Raleigh in 1884. The resolution met with much opposition, to such an extent that it was not voted upon. The friends of the project were not discouraged however and at the suggestion of Mr. C. E. Taylor it was decided to take the matter out of the hands of the Convention and organize an Orphanage Association. The organization was complete before the Convention adjourned. J. H. Mills was elected General Manager. J. C. Scarborough selected the site for the buildings. Bro. Mills took charge of the work January 12th, 1885. He had to face all manner of opposition. Perhaps the greatest was the press of the State, assigning unworthy motives to the Baptists. In

1886 the President of the Baptist State Convention appointed a committee to report on the Orphanage work and there was only one dissenting vote. From that time there has been no other object so dear to the people. The founder of the Orphanage work retired from the office of General Manager in 1895 and was succeeded by the late J. B. Boone. Under his administration of ten years a great many things were accomplished. Among them were the erection of a Central School Building and the establishment of a splendid water system. He laid a broad and deep foundation. In 1905 he resigned and the present general manager was elected to succeed him. It would take entirely too much time to mention the numerous improvements that have been made. We have the best equipped Orphanage in the State. We have 450 acres of land, 175 of which is in cultivation; 10 dormitories, central dining hall, central school building, central sewing building, an excellent hospital, a well equipped printing house and other buildings. The equipment is very good indeed. The farmer, landscape gardener, the truck farmer, the printer, editor or business man may visit the Orphanage and be benefitted in his occupation.

The government of the institution is democratic, equal rights extended to all and special privileges to no one. The supervision of the institution is certainly all that could be desired. The children about 400 in number are trained as they should be in the text books up to 9th grade. No small part of their education is the training they receive in the kitchen, sewing room, on the farm and in the shop. No girl is expected to leave the Orphanage until she is able to make her own clothes and is familiar with all domestic work. The boy is expected to leave prepared for some occupation in life. A constant effort is put forth to surround the life of the place with an atmosphere of culture and refinement, no small part of which is the religious life.

We are gratified that the Treasurer is able to report practically no debt. It costs about $85.00 per year to support one child at the Orphanage. We do not think that Liberty Association appreciates as she should the fact that the Orphanage is located in her territory. We urge every Sunday School to take a monthly collection for the Orphanage and each church to make a special offering on Thanksgiving Day to this worthy object.

We commend Charity and Children as one of the greatest agencies under God in making the institution what it is to-day. We sincerely hope that every Sunday School in our boundaries will supply their school with this paper. Last year the paper turned over more than $3,000.00 profit to the institution. Truly the Blessings of God have rested upon this institution from the beginning to the present day.

C. M. WALL.

John M. Cheek, S. H. Averitt and H. A. Rowe discussed this report, pledges were taken and the report adopted.

R. J. Teague, M. D., from the Flat River Association, was recognized.

Archibald Johnson read the following

REPORT ON LIBERTY-PIEDMONT INSTITUTE AND OUR COLLEGES.

We are glad to report the largest opening and the brightest prospects in the history of the Liberty-Piedmont Institute.

The dormitories are taxed to their capacity and the board find

themselves puzzled to provide room for the students clamoring for admittance.

The South Yadkin Association at its recent session adopted our institution, and will give it liberal and loyal support; the Piedmont Association at the recent session in Ashboro planned to make regular and systematic contributions to this work.

The Liberty Association, as a body, has made only the most meager contributions to this great institution within its borders. We would urge the importance of every church in the Association adding the Liberty-Piedmont to its scheme of benevolence, and their showing their loyalty to and interest in this great object.

We commend to all our people the claims of Meredith College upon our liberality. We should all be glad to bear some part in the effort that is being made to secure an endowment for that great institution which is doing such signal service in the development of our North Carolina womanhood.

Wake Forest College is entitled to our patronage and sympathy. Its work in the extension of the Lord's kingdom in North Carolina and throughout the world is of priceless value and no loyal Baptist will listen for a moment to agents of the State schools with their free scholarships in their bounds, furnished by the tax payers of the State.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
Chairman Board of Trustees.

The report was discussed by A. Johnson, M. L. Kesler, Jno. T. Jenkins, Kader R. Curtis and G. E. Lineberry, and it was adopted.

K. R. Curtis' motion to appoint a committee to report on the following day morning, suggestion as to best plan for this Association to pay its part of the debt on Liberty-Piedmont Institute, was carried.

John T. Jenkins was appointed to preach at 8:00 o'clock to-night.

Adjourned to 9:30 to-morrow morning. Prayer by John T. Jenkins.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

9:30 to 9:45 Devotional exercises were conducted by G. A. Martin.

The minutes of the two previous days were read and approved.

The following brethren were elected to attend the State Baptist Convention to be held in Winston-Salem: D. C. Sharp, A. P. Snider and P. M. Snider.

The following were elected delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention to be held in Oklahoma City: P. S. Vann, Alternate G. A. Martin.

A motion was carried to elect G. A. Martin to represent this Association in the State Board of Missions, and to bear his expenses out of the amount collected for State Missions.

The following brethren were appointed to write on the subjects named below for 1912:

On Foreign Missions: G. A. Martin, Jeff Lanning.
On Home Missions: S. D. Swaim, R. K. Williams.
On State Missions: John M. Cheek, L. A. Tysinger.
On Biblical Recorder: O. A. Keller, P. M. Snider.

On Baptist Orphanage: Thomas Carrick, J. T. Valentine.
On Sunday Schools: P. S. Vann, G. W. Miller.
On Ministerial Relief: J. M. Hilliard, Berry R. Cross.
On Liberty-Piedmont Institute and our Colleges: K. R. Curtis, M. L. Kesler.
On Woman's Work: Archibald Johnson, N. R. Teague.
On Ministerial Education: J. T. Jenkins, Jeff Lookabill.
On Sunday School work in our Association: S. H. Averitt, C. M. Wall.
On Order of Business: G. A. Martin, Archibald Johnson, S. H. Averitt.

G. A. Martin read the following

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

From year to year our women have been constantly pressing forward from victory to victory until to-day their Societies dot the face of the earth covered by the Southern Baptist Convention. No phase of our work records greater growth or grander achievements than that of the women. With new societies added each year they raise their aim over that of the previous year and begin a systematic campaign to reach their goal. And be it said to their everlasting honor that they plan their work and then work their plans systematically—hence their success. We have learned much from them and have yet other lessons ahead of us if we will be taught.

Through the various agencies of these Auxiliaries our consecrated women are finding their place in the Kingdom of God and are making themselves felt not only in raising money but in raising the standard of Christian service. Their consecrated, self-sacrificing devotion to their risen Lord has quickened the pulse of Christian endeavor in many lines. Few men would dare to gainsay the statement that the Laymen's movement that promises to greatly supplement the Woman's Work is the direct result of the Woman's Missionary Union. When the financial results of their small gifts were tabulated it was seen that if we could enlist all our men, securing from them a regular contribution to missions that we could do something worthy of blood-washed sons of God. Whatever this movement may accomplish it will owe its inspiration to the women.

The women of North Carolina have set for themselves the splendid task of raising for missions this year the sum of $35,000. That they will reach their goal no one doubts. But their greatest gift to the cause of Christ is not made in money offerings. Imparting information about missions, training for service in the W. M. S., Y. W. A., Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors means infinitely more than dollars and cents. We commend their work and urge that new Societies be formed in all churches.

G. A. MARTIN,
O. A. KELLER, Committee.

The report was discussed by G. A. Martin, O. A. Keller, S. D. Swaim and John T. Jenkins. The report was adopted.

J. M. Hilliard read the following

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

It is the duty of the young to see that the old and infirm are provided for in their old age. First in the family and then by the State, and especially by Christians. Our old and infirm ministers should

not be neglected in their last days, nor should their faithful wives be brought to want in their last days so as a denomination it is our bounden duty to see that our aged and infirm ministers and their wives, have at least enough to make them comfortable in their old age, and we that have plenty of this world's goods, should deem it a pleasure to contribute to their support, through our "Ministerial Relief Board." We find that we have received for this Board up to September 1st, $2,473.32. One third of this amount goes into a permanent fund, on which we receive interest at 6 per cent. per annum. So taking $824.44 from $2,473.32 will leave $1,648.88 to be used with what interest we get from our invested fund, among our old brethren and their wives which will not give very much to them.

Your Committee would recommend that all of our Churches make a Christmas offering to these faithful servants of God, and that we make this offering very liberal, remembering that "inasmuch as we have done it unto the least of these His disciples we have done it unto Him."

J. M. HILLIARD, Committee.

The report was discused by J. M. Hilliard.

Pledges were taken and the report adopted.

The finance committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Received from delegates to the Association thirty dollars for Minute fund, $21.50 for Foreign Missions, $18.00 for Home Missions, $7.00 for Education, and $8.44 for Ministerial Relief.

C. H. TEAGUE, for Committee.

The report was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

State Missions	$ 85.74
Home Missions	51.16
Foreign Missions	52.65
Ministerial Education	71.31
Ministerial Relief	39.18
Minute Fund	25.21
China Sufferers	19.28
Sunday School Board	8.60
Sunday School Missions	10.00
Total received	$ 363.13

Disbursements.

State Missions	$ 85.74
Home Missions	51.16
Foreign Missions	52.65
Ministerial Education	71.31
Ministerial Relief	39.18
Minute Fund	25.21
China Sufferers	19.28
Sunday School Board	8.60
Sunday School Missions	10.00
Total disbursed	$ 363.13

It was moved and carried that the Clerk be allowed ten dollars for his services and that he have five hundred minutes printed.

M. L. Kesler read the following report:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PLANS FOR RAISING SCHOOL DEBT.

We recommend: First, the appointment of a committee to apportion one-third of the indebtedness on Liberty-Piedmont Institute among the churches of the Association, to be paid in five years by annual installments.

Second. That a representative of the school visit each church. Let him consult with the Pastor as to the best plans to pursue in that particular church. Let them together appeal to the church to undertake to raise what they deem their reasonable share of the amount suggested above. If possible let pledges be made by individuals to cover the amount (twenty churches averaging $50 each for five years amounts to $5,000.00).

Third. We make these recommendations with the understanding that no additional debt shall be incurred by the Board of Trustees for additional buildings until this debt is paid.

M. L. KESLER,
J. T. JENKINS,
G. A. MARTIN,
HENRY SHEETS,
WALTER FITZGERALD,
Committee.

This report was discussed by M. L. Kesler, Henry Sheets, John T. Jenkins and G. A. Martin, and it was unanimously adopted.

G. A. Martin was recognized as leader in Foreign Missions in this Association.

The following resolution offered by J. T. Valentine was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered the Abbott's Creek Church and friends, for their kind hospitality during this session of the Association.

The committee to Nominate the Executive Board of the Association recommended the re-election of R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green, P. S. Vann and P. M. Snider. The recommendation was accepted and the above board elected.

The Chair appointed G. W. Miller, G. A. Martin, J. M. Hilliard, the committee to apportion among the churches the amount of money to be raised for Liberty-Piedmont Institute from this Association.

On motion, the Association adjourned with prayer by G. A. Martin.

PLEDGES FOR 1911-1912.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Sunday School Missions.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek	$15.00	$ 6.00	$13.50	$25.00	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	$ 2.00	$ 71.00
Center Hill	8.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	30.00
Denton	11.00	5.00	11.00	19.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	55.00
Gravel Hill	8.00	5.00	8.00	10.00	1.50	3.00	1.00	36.50
Holloway's	20.00	7.00	22.50	20.00	5.00	3.50	2.00	80.00
Jersey	25.00	10.00	25.00	20.00	8.00	5.00	3.00	96.00
Lexington	55.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	285.00
Liberty	5.00	5.00	12.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	37.00
Lick Creek	10.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	64.00
New Friendship	15.00	6.00	12.00	15.00	3.00	2.00	2.50	55.50
Orphanage	55.00	35.00	45.00	75.00	25.00	8.00	5.00	248.00
Piney	25.00	10.00	27.50	25.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	99.50
Reeds	15.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	75.00
Rich Fork	13.00	7.00	11.00	18.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	58.00
Smith's Grove	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	22.00
Stoner's Grove	15.00	7.00	12.00	11.00	3.00	3.50	2.00	53.50
Summerville	2.00	1.25	2.50	3.00	1.00	1.50	.....	11.25
Taylor's Grove	2.50	1.00	2.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	.50	12.00
Thomasville	75.00	40.00	100.00	50.00	35.00	7.00	10.00	317.00
Wallburg	65.00	30.00	55.00	60.00	7.00	7.00	5.00	229.00
Totals 1911	444.50	243.25	512.00	466.00	132.50	80.00	57.00	1938.25
Totals 1910	411.50	218.75	401.50	470.00	97.50	73.00	.....	1681.75
Totals 1909	387.00	213.50	406.00	455.50	97.00	67.50	.....	1626.50
Totals 1908	408.00	215.00	446.25	531.50	106.00	72.50	.....	1779.25
Totals 1907	387.50	205.00	427.00	463.75	90.50	70.50	.....	1674.75

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK OF THE LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association met in its fifth annual session at Reeds Cross Roads Church, August 29. 1911. On account of the continuous down pour of rain, the Union did not convene in regular session until 1 p. m., after which a successful program was rendered.

After song "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Mrs. P. S. Vann, the Associational Vice-President, led the Devotional Exercises reading John 15:1-14. Miss Rosa Moore offered prayer which was followed by a chain of prayer.

Miss Sallie McCracken being away on her vacation, Mrs. G. A. Martin was asked to act as Secretary pro tem of the Association.

Mrs. Alda Craver in a charming way soon made us to feel very much at home and thoroughly welcome to the good things the ladies had prepared for us. Miss Janie Williams of Thomasville responded in a few well chosen words.

The roll was called and delegates from the following Societies responded: W. M. S. of Lexington, Orphanage and Thomasville;

Y. W. A., of Thomasville; Sunbeams, of Lexington, Thomasville and Reeds Cross Roads.

The Vice-President, under whose efficient and capable leadership the mission work in our Association has rapidly advanced, reported that we have now in our Association five W. M. S., two Y. W. A., four Sunbeams and one Royal Ambassodar Band, making an increase of two over last year. The women and children of the Association raised last year for Missions $573.11 of this the W. M. S. gave $535.31, Y. W. A. $260, Sunbeams $34.61, an increase of $91.16 over last year. There were two new Societies organized.

The delegates gave reports of Societies which showed not only an increase in gifts but wider information in regard to Missions and deeper spiritual interest as well.

The suggested Association Constitution and Recommendations of Central Committee were read and after discussion adopted.

Mrs. P. S. Vann called attention of delegates to Mission literature, especially Calendar of Prayer and Our Mission Fields.

The Vice-President had apportioned our Associational aim among different Societies which was accepted.

Mrs. G. A. Martin made a talk on "Personal Service as Needed in our Association."

Song "Work for the Night is Coming."

Mrs. Green read a paper on "The Relation of the Societies to the General Mission Work of the Church." During the Round Table discussion, the Training School, enlargement and endowment, Expense Fund and Tithing Cards were explained.

Misses Hutchins, Moore and Mesdames Morton, Craver and Martin gave suggestions on how to make our Sunbeam work a success.

Mrs. Martin read a paper on the "Need of Training our Young Women in Missions."

The Standard of Excellence was read and all the Societies urged to attain, if possible, all the points mentioned therein.

The following committees were appointed:

Time and Place—Miss Rosa Moore, Mrs. Alda Craver and Miss Janie Williams.

Committee on Obituaries—Miss Sadie Craver and Mrs. R. S. Greene.

Committee on Nominations—Mrs. DeWitt Morton, Mrs. Alda Craver, Mrs. G. A. Martin, Miss Hutchins and Mrs. R. S. Green.

While the various committees met, Mrs. Vann talked to the girls at Reeds Cross Roads about organizing a Y. W. A.

The Committees made the following reports:

On Nominations—President, Mrs. P. S. Vann; Secretary, Miss Sallie McCracken.

Time and Place—Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August, Wallburg.

Obituaries—It becomes our sad duty to report the death of Mrs. L. G. Lewis, one of the most faithful and most beloved members

of the Woman's Missionary Society of Thomasville Baptist Church. Truly "She hath done what she could." After her death it was found that she had left, by will, the sum of fifty dollars to be used for Foreign Missions in China, which amount represents to us both sacrifice and prayer.

MISS SADIE CRAVER,
MRS. R. S. GREEN,
Committee.

After a season of prayer the meeting closed, all feeling that notwithstanding the rain which caused a small attendance, the meeting had been a success.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK.

The following reports will show the contributions from the different Societies during the year:

Lexington W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 24.05
Home Missions	27.75
State Missions	26.20
Total to Missions	$ 78.00
Other objects	67.00
Total contributed	$ 145.00
Thomasville W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 90.39
Home Missions	58.92
State Missions	78.66
Total for Missions	$ 227.97
Other objects	13.50
Total contributed	$ 241.47
Orphanage W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 40.52
Home Missions	13.30
State Missions	18.23
Total contributed to Missions	$ 72.05
Wallburg W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 9.85
Home Missions	17.60
State Missions	11.55
Total to Missions	$ 39.00
Other objects	18.00
Total contributed	$ 57.00
Jersey W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 5.94
Home Missions	4.29
State Missions	6.56
Total to Missions	$ 16.79

Lexington Y. W. A.:		
Foreign Missions	$	1.75
Thomasville Y. W. A:		
Foreign Missions	$	.85
Lexington Sunbeams:		
Foreign Missions	$	3.80
Home Missions		1.00
State Missions		3.00
Total to Missions	$	7.80
Thomasville Sunbeams:		
Foreign Missions	$	2.30
Home Missions		6.70
State Missions		4.00
Total to Missions	$	13.00
Wallburg Sunbeams:		
Home Missions	$	7.11
State Missions		5.90
Total to Missions	$	13.01
Reed's Sunbeams:		
Foreign Missions	$	.25
Home Missions		.40
State Missions		.15
Total to Missions	$	.80

Grand total contributed through the W. M. S., Y. W. A., and Sunbeam Bands $573.11.

MRS. P. S. VANN, President,
MRS. G. A. MARTIN, Secretary,
Woman's Work of Liberty Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—SEPTEMBER, 1911.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Totals.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Totals.	Gain	Loss.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	2	1	....	3	....	....	2	2	1	....	55	109	164
Center Hill	T. M. Sheets, Lexington	5	3	....	8	....	....	1	1	7	....	33	55	88
Denton	W. B. Russell, Denton	11	4	....	15	11	1	2	14	1	....	64	68	132
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russel, Riley's Store	4	....	....	4	2	1	2	5	....	1	15	22	37
Holloways	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill, Route 1	2	1	....	3	3	4	1	8	....	5	69	117	186
Jersey	L. A. Smith, Linwood	5	4	....	9	2	3	2	7	2	....	65	87	154
Lexington	O. E. Tucker, Lexington	32	12	3	47	7	1	2	10	37	....	120	178	298
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville, Route 4	9	....	....	9	1	....	1	2	7	....	62	115	177
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill	6	....	....	6	4	1	1	6	....	....	58	76	134
Mount Lebanon	J. D. Welch, Pisgah	....	....	....	....	4	....	1	5	....	5	6	16	22
New Friendship	B. F. Charles, Winston-Salem, Route 5	8	1	....	9	....	1	2	3	6	....	42	77	119
Orphanage	C. M. Howell, Thomasville	10	8	....	18	18	....	....	18	....	....	164	243	407
Piney	W. H. Lomax, Jubilee	8	3	....	11	5	....	....	5	6	....	83	119	202
Reeds	D. C. Craver, Lexington, Route 3	4	....	....	4	3	....	6	9	....	5	64	84	148
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	9	3	1	13	3	....	1	4	9	....	42	91	133
Smith's Grove	A. A. Young, Jubilee	2	2	....	4	....	....	....	....	4	....	30	31	61
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Linwood	5	6	....	11	....	....	1	1	10	....	37	40	77
Summerville	Edward Bean, Silver Hill	26	12	1	39	....	1	1	2	37	....	40	69	109
Taylor's Grove	D. M. Summey, Chandler	1	....	....	1	....	....	1	1	....	....	4	11	15
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	3	43	....	46	15	1	4	20	26	....	48	108	156
Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	21	9	1	31	7	....	....	7	24	....	64	71	135
Totals 1911		167	112	6	291	85	14	31	130	177	16	1165	1787	2954
Totals 1910		158	70	4	232	98	66	24	187	132	98	1066	1667	2733
Totals 1909		104	51	8	163	128	12	25	163	82	82	1012	1587	2726
Totals 1908		275	72	10	385	113	23	21	157	226	59	1061	1641	2702
Totals 1907		188	68	8	264	63	21	24	108	191	35	1003	1557	2560

FINANCIAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER, 1911.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Old Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Sunday School Missions.	Total.
Abbott's Creek	$ 150.00	$ 60.00	$17.10	$ 7.00	$.....	$15.00	$ 6.00	$13.50	$35.00	$.....	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	$.....	$ 2.55	$.....	$ 315.65
Center Hill	100.00	128.00	10.00	4.00	.....	6.00	4.00	7.00	3.45	.....	1.50	1.60	21.00	1.40	.....	287.95
Denton	150.00	270.50	76.31	73.15	.....	11.05	9.04	15.00	33.19	.....	4.00	3.00	14.07	1.25	.90	661.46
Gravel Hill	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	6.00	4.00	6.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	61.00	.50	.....	92.50
Holloway's	120.00	.....	.....	6.20	.....	20.00	7.00	20.00	20.00	.....	5.00	3.50	20.00	2.00	.....	223.70
Jersey	150.00	.....	.....	10.37	.....	28.61	9.42	28.44	26.42	.....	8.00	4.00	.45	2.30	.....	268.01
Lexington	1200.00	3664.97	200.00	.....	.....	29.20	101.23	27.85	60.00	100.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	5384.25
Liberty	75.00	1.40	.....	2.79	.....	5.00	5.00	12.00	10.00	.....	2.00	2.00	8.65	1.00	.....	124.84
Lick Creek	170.00	.....	34.00	7.00	.....	10.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	.....	5.00	3.00	.....	1.25	.....	302.25
Mount Lebanon	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	2.50	2.75	3.25	2.50	.....	.....	.....	3.20	.....	.....	15.20
New Friendship	150.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.50	6.00	11.00	20.00	.....	3.00	2.00	26.00	1.50	.....	82.00
Orphanage	126.11	48.11	.....	.....	20.20	53.22	45.00	82.03	115.25	250.00	35.97	21.28	8.60	2.00	10.00	817.77
Piney	200.00	.....	25.00	50.00	.....	25.00	10.00	27.50	25.00	.....	5.00	3.20	25.00	2.00	.....	397.70
Reeds	150.00	20.00	23.00	16.00	.....	15.00	7.65	20.00	24.00	.....	3.25	4.00	.....	1.50	.....	284.40
Rich Fork	150.00	.....	44.00	15.00	.....	12.50	6.00	10.00	18.00	.....	4.00	2.50	1.50	1.50	.....	265.00
Smith's Grove	75.00	50.00	3.00	5.00	.....	5.00	2.50	3.75	13.00	.....	1.00	1.00	15.00	1.00	.....	175.25
Stoner's Grove	100.00	.....	47.33	.....	.....	10.00	6.00	10.00	11.00	.....	3.00	4.05	.....	1.75	.....	193.13
Summerville	60.00	.....	.....	.....	1.50	2.00	1.25	2.50	3.00	.....	.....	1.50	14.00	.50	.....	86.25
Taylor's Grove	35.00	.....	.25	2.50	.....	2.50	1.00	2.00	4.00	.....	1.00	1.00	7.70	.....	.....	56.95
Thomasville	400.00	.....	94.47	90.90	40.00	97.01	88.71	109.20	56.72	17.50	19.55	7.81	19.77	2.00	5.00	1048.64
Wallburg	200.00	.....	60.00	23.71	.....	62.50	30.00	50.00	60.00	26.50	7.00	7.00	16.28	2.50	4.00	549.49
Totals 1911	3761.11	4242.98	634.46	318.62	62.70	430.39	358.55	481.02	570.53	394.00	113.27	76.94	262.22	29.50	19.90	11632.39
Totals 1910	3747.23	1974.60	920.05	448.22	12.52	422.53	335.39	440.53	491.24	92.00	116.62	89.68	278.36	25.14	.....	9599.32
Totals 1909	3225.10	4134.87	701.60	329.47	17.45	417.42	276.45	463.56	527.66	100.88	119.48	65.49	385.24	21.55	.....	10873.77
Totals 1908	3723.25	4023.82	645.71	368.85	10.00	412.88	310.96	456.21	816.47	10.00	98.18	58.47	396.91	30.24	.....	11462.95
Totals 1907	3261.53	377.20	440.27	294.49	7.50	432.54	252.01	586.28	676.23	20.06	90.91	55.52	893.09	18.49	.....	7142.48

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—SEPTEMBER, 1911.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES.	SECRETARIES AND POST-OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Total.	Number of Schools.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers	Months kept open.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from School.	School Expenses.
Abbott's Creek	N. R. Teague, Kernersville	H. V. Trayuham, High Point	7	61	68	1	....	100	12	33 1-2	....	$ 7.00
Center Hill	C. A. Owen, Lexington	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	8	60	68	1	....	60	9	40	5	4.00
Denton	W. B. Thompson, Denton	D. R. Hedrick, Denton	7	149	156	1	....	200	12	72	....	73.15
Gravel Hill	W. A. Stricklin, New Hope Acad.	Mrs. Bertha Sheets, Riley's Store	5	40	45	1	....	46	10	25	3	5.00
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	D. R. Beaublossom, Silver Hill	7	45	52	1	50	75	12	35	1	6.20
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	J. D. Penniger, Linwood	9	63	72	1	....	100	12	41	....	10.37
Lexington	G. W. Miller, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	25	450	475	3	120	450	12	305	22	.....
Liberty	H. P. May, Hannersville	Miss Alice Kindley, Lexington,r.2	10	45	55	1	100	....	12	25	....	2.79
Lick Creek	N. R. Kinney, Silver Hill	Clayten Reid, Silver Hill	8	76	84	1	....	100	6	50	....	7.00
Mount Lebanon	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....
New Friendship	F. Z. Wilson, Winston-Salem	Chas. Shoaf, Winston-Salem, R.5	4	87	91	1	....	65	12	39	....	.....
Orphanage	S. H. Averitt, Thomasville	Hugh Oglesby, Thomasville	16	405	421	1	....	425	12	395	10	.....
Piney	R. K. Williams, Linwood	Miss Carrie Barnes, Linwood	10	185	195	1	100	378	12	85	4	50.00
Reeds	C. H. Fritts, Lexington	J. A. Myers, Lexington, Route 3	6	98	104	1	....	....	12	54	3	16.00
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Stimp Everhart, Thomasville	7	85	92	1	....	100	9	65	....	15.00
Smith's Grove	G. A. Clement, Jubilee	Miss May Young, Jubilee	5	66	71	1	....	42	12	30	....	5.00
Stoner's Grove	C. C. Wren,Linwood	J. R. Roach, Linwood	8	70	78	1	....	57	12	40	3	.....
Summerville	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....
Taylor's Grove	D. M. Summey, Chandler	Miss Sallie Bailey, Chandler	6	35	41	1	....	50	6	30	....	2.50
Thomasville	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	C. C. Hooks, Thomasville	10	175	185	1	....	310	12	90	1	90.90
Wallburg	K. R. Curtis, Wallburg	W. A. McChristian, Wallburg	15	130	145	1	....	350	12	.....	....	23.71
Totals 1911	.....	.....	173	2325	2498	21	370	2908	208	1454	52	318.62
Totals 1910	.....	.....	170	2108	2281	21	560	2629	201	1378	92	448.22
Totals 1909	.....	.....	167	2003	2169	20	300	2329	192	1376	37	359.47
Totals 1908	.....	.....	172	2125	2398	24	375	1949	219	1441	120	368.35
Totals 1907	.....	.....	158	1616	1772	24	375	2191	219	1441	120	550.46

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

1st. This Association shall be called the Liberty Baptist Association.

2nd. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers who are members of, and those who may have pastoral charges within the Associational district, and of the three delegates from each church in the district aforesaid.

3rd. The said delegates before taking their seats shall produce letters from their respective churches, showing their appointment as delegates.

4th. The Associational session shall be held at least once a year.

5th. The officers shall be Moderator and Clerk and if deemed expedient by the Association, a Treasurer likewise.

6th. The Moderator shall be chosen annually, but the Clerk shall continue in office at the pleasure of the Association.

7th. The Association shall be clothed with authority only to advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interest, but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in reference to their own government or internal polity.

8th. A committee of arrangements, consisting of three members shall be appointed on the first day of each session, to prepare and report an order of proceedings; and to suggest topics proper for the consideration and action of the Association; and the said committee shall report promptly on the morning of the second day of the Association.

9th. (As amended) Baptist ministers, not members of the Association, or any visiting brother from sister Associations, who may be present at any session of the body, may, on invitation of the body, take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.

10th. At each session of the Association there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of five, three of whom shall constitute a quorum, whose duty it shall be to superintend, and in conjunction with the Missionary Boards of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, direct the missionary operations of this Association.

11th. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

12th. This Constitution may be altered only at an annual session of this Association and by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. This Association shall meet punctually each day at the hour appointed, and on the appearance of a quorum, the Moderator shall cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read.

2nd. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions or points of order, subject to an appeal from his decision to the Association.

3rd. The Moderator shall be entitled to vote only in case of an equal division of the Association.

4th. He shall not participate in debate except on points of order, unless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall have called another member to the chair.

5th. Members shall in debate, or on rising to make a motion, address themselves to the Moderator.

6th. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall designate the person who shall first occupy the floor.

7th. No member shall absent himself from the session of the Association without its leave.

8th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence to the order in which they stand here arrayed.

9th. All committees, unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of three members only.

10th. A committee shall be appointed on the first day of every session to designate ministers to preach during the session of the Association.

11th. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Moderator, unless it receive a second.

12th. No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the body.

13th. No member shall speak more than twice on any question unless by consent of the Association.

14th. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read publicly in the Association on the second day of every session.

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O A. Keller ..... Wallburg, N. C.
M. L. Kesler ..... Thomasville, N. C.
J. D. Newton ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Henry Sheeets ..... Lexington, N. C.
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Executive Board

R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green,
P. S, Vann, P. M. Snider.

Every member of the Executive Board is expected to be present at a meeting in the Baptist church, at Lexington, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the 2nd Sunday in November.

Proceedings.

SOUTHMONT, N. C.
SEPT. 3, 1912.

The Liberty Baptist Association met in Stoner's Grove church, September 3, 1912, at eleven o'clock, in the morning.

The introductory sermon was preached by O. A. Keller. His text was Jno. 20:21. "As my father hath sent me, even so send I you."

After the sermon, the moderator appointed Archibald Johnson and Thomas Carrick to read the letters from the churches, to the Association. All the letters were in and read except, Abbott's Creek, Jersey, and Wallburg.

Oak Hill church was re-instated and the letter from the church was read.

Henry Sheets was re-elected Moderator of the Association. P. S. Vann and S. H. Averitt were re-elected Clerk and Treasurer respectively.

On motion of A. Johnson, it was carried to read no church letters after the morning session.

The committee on order of business read the following report which was adopted.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Tuesday.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon.

Afternoon

1:30 to 2:30—Reading Church Letters. Organization.
2:30 to 3:00—Miscellaneous Business.
3:00 to 3:30—Biblical Recorder.
3:30 to 4:00—Ministerial Relief.

Wednesday.

9:30 to 10:00—Devotional Exercises.
10:00 to 10:30—Miscellaneous Business.
10:30 to 11:15—Orphanage.
11:15 to 12:30—State Missions.

Afternoon

1:30 to 2:30—Liberty-Piedmont Institute.
2:30 to 3:00—Education.
3:00 to 4:00—Woman's Work.

Evening

8:00 to 9:30—Foreign Missions.

Thursday.

9:30 to 9:45—Devotional Exercises.
9:45 to 10:45—Sunday Schools.
10:45 to 11:30—Home Missions.
11:30 to 12—Miscellaneous Business.

The Moderator appointed Arthur Gallimore and B. R. Cross committee on finance.

On motion of M. L. Kesler it was voted to request the finance committee to receive no funds in the Church during the sitting of the Association.

On motion the association was adjourned until 2:30 p. m. Prayer by G. A. Martin.

At 2:30 p. m. the association was called to order by the moderator.

On motion of Thomas Carrick it was carried to appoint a committee of three to examine the letters and investigate the Welcome and Oak Grove Baptist Churches, newly organized, and make recommendations to the association. Thomas Carrick, A, Johnson and G. A. Martin were appointed on this committee.

The following visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed: Livingston Johnson, corresponding secretary of State Missions; G. E. Lineberry, financial secretary of colleges and schools; W. R. Beach, representing tne Biblical Recorder; J. F. Fletcher, of Virginia; J. M. Arnette, representing the Ministers Relief Board.

The committee to investigate the newly organized churches, Welcome and Oak Hill, reported that they were organized in due form and the delegates were given the right hand of fellowship, and the churches received into the association.

Thomas Carrick read the following resolution:

Whereas Baptists are guardians of the spiritual foundations of Democracy, and whereas the modern Republic cannot long endure in ignorance of the religious essentials of Democracy, it behooves us North Carolina Baptists to make Baptist principles felt in every educational centre of our State.

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That our State Mission Board be encouraged in maintaining an efficient Baptist Sunday School hard by every day school and College in North Carolina; that this Association assert its approval of the State Mission Board's desire to support the strongest possible preacher in every educational centre of the State; that this Association go on record as favoring a denominational policy that will ultimately put an adequate house of worship in all our principal educational centres of North Carolina.

2. That it is the sense of this Association that the way should be cleared for working out this policy, by the Denomination's coming to the help of the local Church at Wake Forest in supplying our own Wake Forest College with a house of worship adequate for taking care of all the students that may ever come to Wake Forest to study.

3. That some denominational agency should be empowered to push this matter, so that at least every three years a new ample church building shall be erected in one of our educational centres until all of them are supplied with churches.

The resolution was discussed by Thomas Carrick, and adopted.

J. F. Fletcher was asked to preach tonight at eight o'clock.

O. A. Keller read the following:

REPORT ON THE BIBLICAL RECORDER.

For more than three fourths of a century the Biblical Recorder has been making its weekly visits and by common consent it is very necessary to the progress of the cause. It is not run for profit but for the general good of the cause of Christ. The great good that it is accomplishing cannot be estimated but it can never do its best work until we shall make it possible for it to carry its blessings to a greater number of people. The Recorder carries weekly messages that every Baptist ought to read.

Two things need emphasis: First the duty of the Baptists to take and read the Recorder; second great emphasis needs to be put upon a prompt payment of what is due the paper. We recommend that pastors and present readers of the Recorder make a strenuous effort to put the paper in the homes of every Baptist family in our Association.

Our paper never compromises the truth nor lowers the flag. Its bugle never sounds retreat. Surely every Baptist ought to rally to its call and march with it as it tries to do its part in the conquest of this world for God.

O. A. KELLER,
P. M. SNIDER,
Committee.

This report was adopted, after being discussed by O. A. Keller, W. R. Beach, G. A. Martin, M. L. Kesler.

B. R. Cross read the following

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF.

The Baptist Ministers' Relief Board has been in existence 22 years. The object of this Board is to afford aid and relief to needy Baptist ministers of North Carolina and their widows.

There are at present thirty five beneficiaries. But there are several applications before the Board, showing that the gradual increase of the number of beneficiaries will continue. These beneficiaries receive from forty to two hundred dollars a year. Many of them need more. Some of them have no means of support except the amount they receive from the Board. It should be the desire and effort of every Baptist of the State that not one of those who have been worthy proclaimers of God's truth should suffer for the actual necessities of life. All money for this Board should be sent to the Treasurer of the Convention.

Applications for aid must receive the endorsement of the Moderator and Executive Committee of the association in which the applicant resides, and also of the pastor of the one applying for aid. To entitle a minister or his widow to help from this board, he must be a Baptist Minister of North Carolina, or if not a native, he must have served as a pastor or evangelist for five years prior to his application. The applicant is required to inform the Board of his physical or mental disability for active service; of what private means of support he or his wife is possessed, and as to what amount will supply his actual necessities. In most cases the Board is entirely dependent upon the Pastor, the Moderator and the Executive Committee for information concerning applications. The brethren should always investigate before giving their endorsement. In many cases those who are most worthy and most needy do not apply. The pastors and officers of the Association where these old brethren live, should look after them and inform the Board of their condition. The work of the Board has been most highly appreciated by those who have received its benefits.

We further recommend that every church in this Association take a collection for this cause on the nearest Sunday to Christmas, so that the blessings of a generous gift may bring gladness and joy to our aged ones.

B. R. CROSS,

Committee.

The report was discussed by: J. M. Arnett, G. A. Martin, Archibald Johnson, and adopted.

On motion the association was adjourned. until eight o'clock, at night. Prayer by W. C. Smith.

On Tuesday evening, at eight o'clock there was a large congregation to hear the sermon by J. F. Fletcher.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Nine thirty to ten, devotional exercises were conducted by G. A. Martin.

At ten o'clock the association was called to order by the moderator, and the minutes were read and approved.

The roll of the churches was called, and the delegates from these churches answered present as follows:

Abbott's Creek—C. H. Teague, R. A. Bodenhamer.
Center Hill—C. F. Rickard, A. V. Miller.
Denton—J. R. Newsome, W. T. Tysinger.
Gravel Hill—W. A. Russell, T. H. Davis.
Holloways—W. H. Collins, H. P. Feezor, B. R. Cross, D. R. Beanblossom.
Jersey—W. C. Roach, J. D. Palmer, W. F. Miller.
Lexington—A. R. Gallimore, G. W. Miller.

Liberty—Lacy Hepler.
Lick Creek—John Rogers, Monk Taylor, P. M. Snider.
New Friendship—A. P. Snider, B. F. Charles, Conrad Motsinger, Harvey Swaim.
Oak Grove—C. A. Brindle, Ben Johnson.
Oak Hill—James Royal, Hattie Royal, Nellie Jordan.
Orphanage—M. L. Kesler, J. T. Eaton.
Piney—R. K. Williams, S. G. Hasty, W. H. Barnes.
Reeds—D. C. Craver, R. W. Hege.
Rich Fork—R. L. Bowers, W. L, Clinard. Paul Newton.
Stoner's Grove—L. C. Lomax, J. F. Womble, C. C. Wren.
Smith Grove—J. B. Brewer, J. C. Beck, B. M. Crews.
Summerville—J. C. Thompson, E. I. Snider, Edney Bean.
Taylor's Grove—Dan Summey.
Thomasville—R. S. Green, Archibald Johnson, G. A. Martin.
Wallburg—Walter McCuistin, C. M. Wall, J. W. Hine.
Welcome—E. J. Zimmerman.

The Moderator appointed the following committees.

Committee to name executive board, O. A. Keller, G. A. Martin, B. R. Cross.

Committee on place and preacher, for holding next session of the Association, Archibald Johnson, E. J. Zimmerman, R. K. Williams.

On motion it was voted to give the allotted time on the program to the discussion of State Missions, and that this subject be discussed in the absence of the report, the report not yet being handed in,

Following is the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The work of State Missions has always been considered of vital importance by our North Carolina Baptists but recently, because of the realization of our increased opportunity and responsibility, we are doubly impressed with the importance of this part of our work.

Our efforts in behalf of State Missions, in the past, have been fruitful. Last year in State Mission territory there were 3,348 additions to the churches and there was contributed by these churches to the various objects of the Convention $27,444.93 more than we put into State Missions. During the present Associational year, we have had 153 missionaries on the field and a number of dependent churches of last year are now self-supporting.

The work of the State Mission Board has always been efficient and effective. This Board is now planning to join hands with the Home Mission Board in the forward movement of appointing two or three District Missionaries, whose duty it shall be to conduct Institutes and hold Mission Rallies throughout our entire territory. Church buildings are needed in a number of new fields and the State Mission Board is encouraging and pushing forward a movement, started three years ago, for a fund to be used in the erection of churches. These are onward steps that the material progress of our State demands. Let the churches of this Association and of the State lend their heart and hand to the State Mission work and a blessing will be theirs.

JOHN M. CHEEK,
For Committee.

State Missions was discussed by Livingston Johnson.

R. S. Green read the following

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Your Committee begs to submit the following report and recommendations. The State Board has graciously granted aid to the following fields:

Wallburg field consisting of Wallburg, Welcome and Oak Grove; Rev. O. A. Keller, pastor $300. Smith's Grove, Rev. S. D. Swaim, pastor $25. Center Hill, Rev. Henry Sheets, pastor $45. Thomasville field consisting of Thomasville and Oak Hill Rev. G. A. Martin, pastor $125. Total $495.

Baptisms: Wallburg field 39, Smith's Grove 19. Center Hill 3, Thomasville 18. Total 79.

Increase in value of property on fields: Wallburg field $4.500, Smith's Grove $1,500, Center Hill $2,000, Thomasville $8000. Total $16,000.

Pastorless churches: Denton, Holloways, Stoner's Grove, Lexington, Reeds, Piney, Smith's Grove.

Believing the interests of the Kingdom can be best served by the step your committee urges the following churches to federate and form fields with a view of locating a pastor.

1 Wallburg, Abbott's Creek, New Friendship, and Oak Grove.
2 Welcome, Reeds, Piney, Smith's Grove and Jersey.
3 Stoner's Grove, Center Hill, Holloways, and Liberty.
4 Denton, Lick Creek, Gravel Hill, Taylor's Grove and Summerville.

To effect this end we also recommend that a committee from each church in these respective groups meet at a central place and confer with each other about calling a pastor.

Respectfully submitted by committee
ROBT. S. GREEN, Chairman.
P. S. VANN, Sec'y.

This report was discussed by R. S. Green, G. A. Martin, O. A. Keller, M. L. Kerler, Thomas Carrick, Henry Sheets. The report was adopted. Pledges were then taken on State Missions. Moved and carried to extend the time to 1 o'clock for W. C. Tyree to discuss Foreign Missions.

G. A. Martin read the following

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

In His words "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every cieature," the Son is but declaring the eternal purpose of the Father to save all the lost sons of Adam. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life." The one great end towards which all of God's efforts have been directed is the salvation of a whole lost world.

In Ephesians 3:1-6 Paul expressly declares that it was the eternal purpose of God that the nations of the earth should be joint-heirs of a joint-body and joint-partakers with the Jews to all of the promises of God in Christ. "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed." At Antioch Paul turns away from the unbelieving Jews to the anxious Gentiles and declares that God has ordained that he shall be for salvation to the ends of the earth. The field of our endeavor is limited only by the bounds of man's habitation. The command to go is binding as long as there is one lost soul who has not heard that "God so loved the world."

We are doing mission work in the following fields: Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Italy, Africa. Japan and China. We employ 271 missionaries, 577 natives, Total 848. With these we are trying to save eight hundred million lost souls! They serve 342 churches, 24.689 members, 4.300 converts were baptized last year. The Convention asks for $618,000 for this work this year. Our apportionment is $50,000.

In addition to the above the Convention ordered the board to raise $1,250,000 as an Equipment Fund in honor of Judson Centennial. This is to be an extra offering and is in no way to interfere with our regular offering to Foreign Missions. We most heartily approve of the recommendations of the Convention.

G. A. MARTIN and J. F. LANNING Committee

The report was discussed by W. C. Tyree. The Moderator called on G. A. Martin to lead in prayer for God's blessings to rest upon the speech on Foreign Missions.

On motion the association was adjourned, until 2 o'clock for noon recess. Prayer by W. C. Smith.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The association was called to order by the moderator, at 2:15. Prayer by Thomas Carrick.

The report of the committee, on recommending the executive board, was received and the following members were re-elected to constitute the executive board of the association:—R. K. Williams, P. S. Vann, C. M. Wall, P. M. Snider, R. S. Green.

M. L. Kesler read the following

REPORT ON LIBERTY-PIEDMONT AND OUR COLLEGES

By its nine years of splendid service the Liberty Piedmont Institute is placed well beyond the experimental stage. The record of the past year and the prospects for the present convinces us that all the students that can be handled can be secured. There is no question as to the need of such a school in this section of the State. It has its mission: but with every mention of it comes the unpleasant reminder of a heavy debt. This is our handicap. The plan suggested a year ago has not worked. It seems that the churches of our association are not yet ready to come to the rescue of the the school. We are doing fairly well in furnishing students but are falling short in financial support.

The Home Board has promised to pay $750 a year for three years on condition that the debt be paid in three years. This is an unusual thing for that board to do, the first time it has agreed to help a school outside the mountain districts. If our people will not respond to this what hope is there for us? Our argument has been that if we wanted help from the outside, we must first help ourselves. It looks now that we will have to reverse the appeal, and call for help outside because we will not help ourselves. We still believe that the Liberty Association must come to the help of the school as never before, but in addition to local help there must be a wider and more permanently organized effort to save and establish our secondary schools. We recommend that at our next State Convention some plan be adopted by which all these schools, will be bound together in one scheme and that the building up of no school shall be wholly dependent upon the community in which it is located.

The growth of Wake Forest and Meredith Colleges in power and influence has led in the growth of our power and influence as a people in North Carolina. This light and power is not confined to our own State, but is girdling the globe. One of our chief glories in the past has been our loyalty to these institutions.

As never before we must insist on Baptist loyalty to Baptist schools.

M. L. KESLER,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by M. L. Kesler, Jno. M. Cheek, A. Johnson. The report was adopted.

A. Johnson read the following

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

A very interesting session of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Liberty Association was held on Friday, Aug. 30, with the church at Wallburg.

The record for the past year was altogether encouraging and will appear in detail in the minutes of this body. Mrs. P. S. Vann of Lexington has been at the head of the movement for years, and discharges her duty in an admirable manner.

We desire to go on record as heartily in favor of the organized work of our women in all our churches and we earnestly urge the formation of these societies in every church where the organization does not now exist.

Besides every well organized W. M. S. there springs up naturally a Sunbeam band which means the enlistment of the children in missionary work, and the most valuable training that can be given to these little ones soon to take the places in our church life of those who are older.

We deplore the meagre gifts of our churches to our objects of benevolence. We admit with shame that we have fallen far below the line of even decency in our giving; but whereever a live and active Missionary Society has been established the spirit of giving has been wonderfully developed, and the whole church aroused to a lively sense of its obligation to a suffering world.

The success that has crowned the efforts of these godly women all over the State excites our growing wonder, and settles forever not only their right but their duty to take their place in the front of the procession of our church forces. The W. M. S. is no longer an experiment. It has well earned the right to live and grow. All the great forward movements of our time, in missionary endeavor, are indebted in no small measure to the women, who by their zeal, persistence and their steady and unshaken faith have set the pace for their brethren in liberality and loyalty to the cause of missions.

We commend the work of our women in this association to the pastors and leaders in our churches, and we assure them not only our hearty sympathy and support in their work as at present organized, but we pledge them our active assistance in extending the movement into every nook and corner of the association.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

The report was discussed by A. Johnson, G. A. Martin and J. F. Fletcher. The report was adopted.

The committee on place and preacher for the next association recommended that it be held in the Rich Fork Church, and that the introductory sermon be preached by M. L. Kesler, alternate J. F. Fletcher. Upon motion this recommendation was adopted.

It was moved and carried that the next union meet in Welcome Church Friday night before the fifth Sunday in September, 1912.

A. Johnson, G. W. Miller, P. S. Vann were elected delegates to the Baptist State Convention to be held in Goldsboro.

G. A. Martin was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, Mo.

G. A. Martin was appointed to represent the association on the State Board of Missions.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock to night.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SESSION

Moderator called to order 7:55 P. M.
Prayer by A. Johnson.
Archibald Johnson read the following

REPORT ON OUR ORPHANAGE

The Thomasville Baptist Orphanage is so well known and so entrenched in the hearts of the Baptists of the State that it is difficult to write anything new upon the subject.

The work at the Orphanage is moving on nicely by hard labor and more or less sacrifice on the part of the management and the faithful workers in charge of this noble Institution.

Contributions, for current expenses, for the past year have kept pace with the contributions of any year in the history of the Orphanage, yet because of the increased cost of living and considerable dropping off in the products of the farm, there was some debt reported at the last Annual Meeting.

It is a matter for gratitude that the Orphanage has received a magnificent gift from W. L. Kennedy and wife. However let no one imagine that this gift of one of the finest farms in the State, including the stock and farming tools, will in any way release largely from further contributions for the support of the Orphanage. This gift calls for larger contributions than ever before. To utilize this gift it is necessary for the Board of Trustees to spend large sums on buildings and equipments that the Orphanage may occupy the farm. It means further that the number of children at the Orphanage will be increased, so the contributions must be enlarged to support these helpless ones.

For 27 years the work has been growing and the Orphanage has been enlarging. May we not hope that this Institution has many years of growth before it.

May the Baptists and friends of the Orphanage continue to enlarge their contributions from year to year that it may furnish food and shelter for still greater numbers of destitute and helpless children, and that these children may be developed physically, mentally, morally and spiritually and thus become good citizens and church workers in the communities where their lots may be cast.

THOS. CARRICK,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by A. Johnson and G. A. Martin. The report was adopted and pledges taken.

On motion the Association was adjourned to Thursday morning. Prayer by G. A. Martin.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

9:30 to 10:00 Devotional exercises were conducted by A. R. Gallimore. Prayer by J. F. Fletcher.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

A. Johnson read the following resolution:

IN MEMORIAM.

Rev. Solomon D. Swaim was born in 1859 and died in Lexington, N. C. Aug. 14, 1912. Bro. Swaim's ministry bore abundant fruit. As a pastor he was wise, aggressive and faithful. He was a leader of men, but his nature was so shrinking, modest and timid that they hardly knew they were being led. As a preacher he was sound, scriptural and strong. His scholarship was accurate and thorough. He was a student and applied himself to the last of his useful life. He was a builder—first of churches and then of church houses—and his pastorate in the Liberty Association is marked by splendid houses of worship, and by a quickened zeal on the part of the membership for all the various departments of the work of the churches.

He was a soldier, and feared not the face of man. Throughout his career he lived and wrought with his face toward his master. His life was clean and sweet, and no stain ever attached to his name.

He had a great grip on the people of all classes in this section and was universally esteemed and respected.

Stricken with a deadly disease, the nature of which he fully understood, he exibited a patience and a fortitude that was born of trust in God.

Not for one moment did he doubt or murmur, but in the last days of his life was as true to his convictions and as faithful to the trust committed to his hands as he ever was in the full flush of a vigorous manhood.

For him death had no terrors, but he was soothed and sustained by an unfaltering trust and peacefully met the last great enemy

"As one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams."

This resolution was discussed by H. Sheets, A. Johnson, P. S. Vann, G. A. Martin and G. W. Miller.

On motion of O. A. Keller this resolution was sent to the Biblical Recorder for publication.

The following members of our churches are among those who have died during the past year:—James M. Easter, Gainus Furr, Anderson Cole, C. G. Strayhorn, Mrs. Sue Willis and J. M. Denny.

P. S. Vann read the following

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Southern Baptist Convention reports 1,288,014 souls enrolled in our Sunday schools. This is about one half the number on the Church rolls.

Our State Convention reports 169,148 men, women and children enrolled in Sunday school work. This is a little more than one half of our Church membership.

In our Association we had enrolled in our Sunday Schools last year 2,498 members. Our Church membership was 2,954. This leaves the Church membership 456 ahead of the Sunday School membership.

The value of these souls enrolled in the work of our Sunday Schools to the citizenship of our country cannot be estimated. We do not know of a working member of any of our Sunday Schools to be summoned into our courts to answer the charge of a crime committed. Judge C. M. Cook in answer to the question as to how to bring about the change so as to obtain just verdicts by our juries, replied: "Increase your Sunday School work, teach the Word and raise the moral standard." This is a very safe solution of this most serious problem now confronting us.

The real satisfaction that comes to one who has thoroughly studied the lesson assigned in the quarterly is great, whether he stand before a class to teach, or faithfully performs his duty by being a good subject to be taught.

Fully eighty per cent of the recruits to our membership comes into our churches through the Sunday Schools. How very necessary then this work is to the growth of the Kingdom. It is the very gateway.

While we have accomplished much in this work, yet there are many ways we might add to the efficiency of the work.

Each one of our churches should have class rooms for the study and teaching of the lessons. This would do as much as any other one thing to create interest in the work.

Our teachers should make special efforts and great sacrifice, if necessary, to meet their classes fifty-two Sundays in the year.

Great care and judgment should be used in the selection of teachers. A teacher should be chosen for his consecration, his willingness to study, his ability to learn, for the high moral standard he exemplifies in his community, his ability to teach what he has learned.

We recommend that all Sunday Schools take regular collections for the support of the work of Sunday School Missions. This work is adding greatly

to our cause in our convention, and it deserves our support in a financial way.

P. S. VANN,
G. W. MILLER
Committee.

The report was discussed by A. Johnson, G. W. Miller and adopted.

J. F. Fletcher read the following

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The evangelization of the world depends largely upon the South; and because of their great number, the responsibility rests upon the Baptists as upon no other denomination.

It is my conviction that our Home Mission Board never in its history did a thing that has in it more of blessed possibilities than when at its meeting in July 1912 it inaugurated a new Department of Enlistment and Co-operation and provided for the employment of a first class man to have charge of this department. North Carolina gave last year for Home Missions just a little more than $23,000 and there were more than 600 churches that gave nothing at all for Home Missions. North Carolina is asked to give this year $32,500 for Home Missions and we ask that each church in the Association pledge liberally to this object. We heartily favor the Mountain Mission School System conducted by our Home Board, eight of which are conducted in our own State; and we believe that through the work of the Department of the Enlistment and Co-operation plan, and the enlightenment of our mission school work, we would give for Home Missions $50,000 instead of the $32,500 asked for by the Board.

May the Liberty Association do its full part in this feature of the Master's work, then we shall be made to rejoice in the sure promise of the blessing—"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

R. K. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

The report was discussed by J. F. Fletcher, H. Sheets, and O. A. Keller. The report was then adopted.

O. A. Keller read the following

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

With few exceptions God calls men into the ministry from homes of poverty and obscurity. One of the primary objects in establishing Wake Forest College was to provide for the better equipment of men called into the ministry. The work of our board of education is to collect and distribute funds to worthy young men who are not able to pay their own way. Since the organization of this particular phase of our work more than 800 men have been assisted. Among this number are many of the ablest pastors in this and other States and several have gone to the foreign field. Last year the Board aided more than 70 men.

Two things are recommended. First: Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth more laborers into His harvest. Second: That we endeavor to increase our contributions to ministerial education at least 10 per cent.

J. D. LOOKABILL.

The report was discussed by O. A. Keller, R. S. Green, H. Sheets, and adopted.

B. R. Cross read finance report:

Received from delegates to the Association $24.80 for Minute fund, $7.00 for Foreign Missions, $6.25 for Home Missions, $7.00 for Education,

$18 42 for Ministerial Relief, $4.50 for State Missions, $5.50 for S. S. Missions and $42.82 for Orphanage.

B. R. CROSS,
A. R. GALLIMORE,
For Committee.

The report was adopted.

R. S. Green read the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:—Resolved, That the delegates and visitors to the association desire to thank the membership of Stoner's Grove Church, and the other kind friends of the community for their kind hospitality, and brotherly love extended to us during the Association.

G. A. Martin served notice, that a vote will be called for at the next session of the Association, to amend the constitution so as to elect a vice moderator and clerk and treasurer.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports for the next Association upon the subjects opposite their names.

Foreign Missions: O. A. Keller and Charlie Roach.
Home Missions: G. A. Martin and M. F. Underwood.
State Missions: M. L. Kesler and T. H. Small.
Biblical Recorder: P. S. Vann and E. J. Zimmerman.
Orphanage: R. S. Green and C. M. Wall.
Sunday Schools: Berry R. Cross and C. H. Teague.
Ministerial Relief: B. F. Charles and A. P. Snider.
Liberty-Piedmout Institute: J. F. Fletcher and L. A. Tysinger.
Woman's Work: S. H. Averitt and R. A. Bodenhamer.
Ministerial Education: A. R. Gallimore and Ben Myers.
Order of Business: Archibald Johnson, Mack Eddinger and G. A. Martin.

The Clerk was voted $10 for his services, and instructed to print five hundred copies of the minutes out of the remainder of the minute fund.

This was one of the most largely attended associations in the history of its organization. The hospitality, the reports, and the discussion reached the high water mark.

The Association was adjourned with prayer by J. F. Fletcher.

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

1st. This Association shall be called the Liberty Baptist Association.

2nd. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers who are members of, and those who may have pastoral charges within the Associational district, and of three delegates from each church in the district aforesaid.

3rd. The said delegates before taking their seats shall produce letters from their respective churches, showing their appointment as delegates.

4th. The Associational session shall be held at least once a year.

5th. The officers shall be Moderator and Clerk and if deemed expedient by the Association, a Treasurer likewise.

6th. The Moderator shall be chosen annually, but the Clerk shall continue in office at the pleasure of the Association.

7th. The Association shall be clothed with authority only to advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interest, but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in reference to their own government or internal polity.

8th. A committee of arrangements, consisting of three members shall be appointed on the first day of each session, to prepare and report an order of proceedings; and to suggest topics proper for the consideration and action of the Association; and the said committee shall report promptly on the morning of the second day of the Association.

9th. (As amended) Baptist ministers, not members of the Association, or any visiting brother from sister Associations, who may be present at any session of the body, may, on invitation of the body, take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.

10th. At each session of the Association there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of five, three of whom shall constitute a quorum, whose duty it shall be to superintend, and in conjunction with the Missionary Boards of the Baptist State Convention of North Caroliua, dirsct the missionary operations of this Association.

11. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

12th. This Constitution may be altered only at an annual session of this Association and by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The association shall meet punctually each day at the hour appointed, and on the presence of a quorum, the Moderator shall cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read.

2nd, It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions or points of order, subject to an appeal from his dicision to the Association.

3rd. The moderator shall be entitled to vote in case of an equal division of the Association.

4th. He shall not participate in debate except on points of order, unless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall have called another member to the chair,

5th. Members shall in debate, or on rising to make a motion, address themselves to the Moderator.

6th. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall designate the person who shall first occupy the floor.

7th. No member shall absent himself from the session of the Association without its leave.

8th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain day, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence to the order in which they stand here arrayed.

9th. All committees unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of three members only.

10th. A committee shall be appointed on the first day of every session to designate ministers to preach during the session of the Association.

11th. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Moderator, unless it receive a second.

12th. No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds or the body.

13th. No member shall speak more than twice on any question unless by consent of the Association.

14th. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read publicly in the Association on the second day of the session.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK FOR THE YEAR.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association held its sixth annual session with the Wallburg Baptist Church August 30th 1912.

After the body joined heartily in singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" Mrs. P. S. Vann the Associational Vice President led the Devotional Exercises reading Matthew 5:13-20 and I. Thessalonians 3:12-13, after which Miss Roxie Sheets of Lexington led the body in prayer.

In the absence of Miss Sallie McCracken Miss Maude Wall of Wallburg was elected Secretary protem of the Association.

Miss Maude Wall warmly welcomed the ladies to every feature of the meeting to which Miss Vallie Spaugh of Linwood responded in a very appreciative manner.

The roll was called and delegates from the different societies responded: W. M. S. of Denton, Jersey, Lexington, Orphanage, Thomasville and Wallburg; Sunbeams of Lexington, Thomasville and Wallburg; Y. W. A. of Thomasville. The W. M. S. of Halloways was represented by letter. The Vice-President under whose capable and splendid leadership the work has advanced rapidly made her annual report stating that the Denton W. M. S. and the Y. W. A. of Thomasville had been re-organized. There are now 7 W. M. S., 5 Sunbeam Bands and 1 Y. W. A.

This report was very gratifying indeed as it showed a wider and deeper interest in the work under the wise guidance of our faithful Vice-President. To this report the delegates responded and it was a source of gratification to hear of the growth of the different societies.

The recommendations from the Central Committee were read by Miss Maude Wall and after a short discussion by the Vice-President were adopted by the body for the coming year. In connection with this Mrs. Vann made a very interesting talk on the different magazines and literature that the societies should use in their work.

The Vice-President explained fully the apportionment made for the different societies in the association after which the body adopted same.

Miss Lula Motsinger of Wallburg led the discussion on State Missions reading a very interesting paper.

The Home Mission Report was read by Miss Pearl Green of Wallburg and carried further by Mrs. Ennis of Thomasville.

The Standard of Excellence was read and after a short discussion by the members of the body was adopted. Mrs. R. S. Green continued this topic by reading a most helpful paper on How to attain this Standard of Excellence.

Tithing, Who should tithe, Why We Should Tithe and How, was discussed by Miss Roxie Sheets of Lexington.

Mrs. O. A. Keller read the report on the Margaret Home which was followed by several short talks by different members of the organization.

Mrs. P. S. Vann gave the report on the Training School and followed same by a very interesting talk on the work of the school and the urgent need of training the young women.

The following committees were appointed:

Time and Place—Mrs. Annie Wallace, Miss Lula Motsinger.

Obituaries—Miss Ezora Mallard, Mrs. W. A. Davis and Mrs. C. M. Wall.

Nomination—Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. R. S. Green and Mrs. O. A. Keller.

Song "From Greenland's Icy Mountains."

The committees made the following reports:

Time and Place—On Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August with the Denton Baptist Church.

Obituaries—Mrs. Sue Willis on the 30th of March, one of the most faithful members of the Lexington society.

Nominations—Mrs. G. A. Martin of Thomasville, President, Miss Maude Wall of Wallburg, Recording Secretary.

Song "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

After a chain of prayer the meeting closed, all feeling that this was one of the most helpful ever held.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK.

The following reports will show the contributions from the different Societies during the year.

Denton W. M. S.		
Foreign Missions	$	6 60
Home Missions		10 60
State Missions		2 00
Total to Missions	$	19 20
Other objects		1 50
Total contributed	$	20 70
Holloways W. M. S.		
Foreign Missions	$	1 25
State Missions		6 40
Total to Missions	$	7 65
Jersey W. M. S.		
Foreign Missions	$	2 94
Home Missions		3 96
State Missions		6 46
Total to Missions	$	13 36
To Liberty-Piedmont Institute		10 00
Total contributed	$	23 36
Lexington W. M. S.		
Foreign Missions	$	25 00
Home Missions		26 05
State Missions		18 65
Total to Missions	$	69 70
Other objects		10 50
Total contributed	$	80 20
Orphanage W. M. S.		
Foreign Missions	$	44 84
Home Missions		39 62
State Missions		20 89
Total to Missions		105 35
Thomasville W. M. S.		
Foreign Missions	$	52 21
Home Missions		51 95
State Missions		59 00
Total to Missions	$	163 16
Other objects		5 00
Total contributed	$	168 16
Wallburg W. M. S.		
Foreign Missions	$	13 20
Home Missions		20 14
State Missions		21 35
Total to Missions	$	54 69
Other objects		27 00
Total contributed	$	81 69

Thomasville Y. W. A,		
State Missions	$	1 35
Denton Sunbeams.		
State Missions	$	50
Reed's Sunbeams.		
Foreign Missions	$	50
Home Missions		1 75
State Mitsions		1 46
Total to Missions	$	3 71
Lexington Sunbeams.		
Foreign Missions	$	2 25
Home Missions		1 62
State Missions		4 13
Total to Missions	$	8 00
Thomasville Sunbeams.		
State Missions	$	1 65

Wallburg Sunbeams.
No Report.

Grand total contributed through the W. M. S., Y. W. A., and Sunbeam Bands $502.32.
Our associational aim for 1912-1913 is $525.00.

MRS. P. S. VANN, President,
MISS MAUDE WALL, Secretary,
Woman's Work of Liberty Association.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts.

State Missions	$	111 92
Home Missions		85 13
Foreign Missions		114 92
Ministerial Education		80 87
Ministerial Relief		46 17
Minute Fund		30 50
Other Objects		401 95
Sunday School Board		16 51
Sunday School Missions		17 68
Total received	$	905 65

Disbursements.

State Missions	$	111 92
Home Missions		95 13
Foreign Missions		114 92
Ministerial Education		80 87
Ministerial Relief		46 17
Minute Fund		30 50
Other Objects		401 95
Sunday School Board		16 51
Sunday School Missions		17 68
Total disbursed	$	905 65

PLEDGES FOR 1912-1913

CHURCHES	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S Missions	L P Institute	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Old Ministers Relief	Totals
Abbott's Creek	$15 00	$ 6 00	$13 50	$ 2 00	...	$25 00	$ 5 00	$ 4 50	$ 71 00
Center Hill	10 00	3 00	9 00	2 00	...	7 00	2 00	3 00	36 00
Denton	11 00	5 50	11 00	2 00	...	19 00	4 00	3 00	55 50
Gravel Hill	9 00	5 00	8 00	1 00	...	10 00	1 50	2 00	36 50
Holloway's	20 00	7 00	22 50	2 00	...	20 00	5 00	5 00	81 50
Jersey	25 00	10 00	25 00	3 00	...	20 00	8 00	6 00	97 00
Lexington	60 00	35 00	75 00	10 00	...	50 00	10 00	10 00	250 00
Liberty	6 00	5 00	12 00	1 00	...	10 00	2 00	2 00	38 00
Lick Creek	10 00	5 00	20 00	2 00	...	20 00	3 00	3 00	63 00
New Friendship	16 00	6 50	12 50	2 50	...	20 00	3 50	3 00	64 50
Oak Grove	3 50	.....	2 50	.....	...	2 00	.....	1 00	9 00
Oak Hill	10 00	5 00	5 00	.....	...	5 00	.....	2 00	27 00
Orphanage	65 00	35 00	75 00	5 00	...	75 00	25 00	10 00	290 00
Piney	25 00	11 00	27 50	2 00	...	25 00	5 00	5 00	100 50
Reeds	15 00	9 00	20 00	2 00	...	20 00	5 00	5 00	76 00
Rich Fork	14 00	8 00	12 00	2 00	...	18 00	4 00	3 00	61 00
Smith's Grove	3 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	...	5 00	2 00	1 00	17 00
Stoner's Grove	12 00	8 00	15 00	2 00	...	25 00	4 00	5 00	71 00
Summerville	3 00	1 50	3 00	.....	...	4 00	1 50	2 00	15 00
Taylor's Grove	2 50	1 00	2 00	50	...	4 00	1 00	1 00	12 00
Thomasville	75 00	40 00	75 00	10 00	...	50 00	11 00	8 00	269 00
Wallburg	70 00	30 00	60 00	5 00	...	60 00	8 50	8 00	241 50
Welcome	10 00	2 50	5 00	.....	...	5 00	.....	1 50	24 00
Totals for 1912	490 00	241 00	513 50	57 00	...	499 00	111 00	94 00	2005 50
Totals for 1911	444 50	243 25	512 00	57 00	...	466 00	132 50	80 00	1938 25
Totals for 1910	401 50	218 75	401 50	.....	...	470 00	97 50	73 00	1681 75
Totals for 1909	387 00	213 50	406 00	.....	...	455 50	97 00	67 50	1626 50
Totals for 1908	408 00	215 00	446 25	.....	...	531 50	106 00	72 50	1779 25
Totals for 1907	387 50	205 00	427 00	.....	...	463 75	90 50	70 50	1674 75

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES.	SECRETARIES AND POST-OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Total	Number of Schools.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance	Baptisms From School	School Expenses.
Abbott's Creek	D S Hayworth, High Point R F D	Miss Blanch Spurgeon, H Pt. RFD	8	67	75	1		110	12	38	1	
Center Hill	C A Owen, Lexington	S E Jarrett, Linwood	6	40	46	1		30	9	25	3	
Denton	H A Cates, Denton	D R Hedrick, Denton	8	142	150	1	100	250	12	75		
Gravel Hill	W A Stricklin, New Hope	Mrs Bertha Sheets, Riley's Store	5	66	71	1		50	12	45		
Holloway's	B R Cross, Silver Hill	D R Beanblossom, Silver Hill	6	70	76	1	50	288	12	40	5	
Jersey	J D Palmer, Linwood	J W Pinninger, Linwood	8	61	69	1		120	12	37		
Lexington	G W Miller, Lexington	A E Sheets, Lexington	30	400	430	3	200	615	12	275	2	
Liberty	H P May, Hannersville	Miss Alice Kindley, Lexington R 2	7	30	37	1	100	36	6	20		
Lick Creek	Roy Morgan, High Rock	Miss Ella Snider, Silver Hill	7	58	65	1		56	6			
New Friendship	Frank Z Wilson, Winston, No. 5	Conrad Motsinger, Winston No. 5	6	117	123	1		117	12	33		
Oak Grove	C A Brendle, Winston, No. 6	Ben Johnson, Winston No 6	6	51	57	1		30	12	22	2	
Oak Hill	M F Underwood, Trinity	Jessie Wilson, Thomasville	4	30	34	1		35			5	
Orphanage	S H Averitt, Thomasville	Carey Bell, Thomasville	17	395	412	1		412	12	385	33	
Piney	R K Williams, Linwood	Miss Carrie Barnes, Linwood	9	100	109	1		150	12	57		
Reeds	Arlie Myers, Lexington, R 3	R W Hege, Lexington R 3	5	102	107	1		225	12	60		
Rich Fork	T H Small, Thomasville	Stimp Everheart, Thomasville	7	95	102			100	12	55		
Smith Grove	G A Clement, Jubilee, No. 1	A A Young, Jubilee	7	111	118	1		40	12	60		
Stoner's Grove	J T Womble, Southmont	O E Stoner, Southmont	8	83	91	1		78	12	65	2	
Summersville												
Taylor's Grove	O M Summey, Chandler	Miss Sallie Coggin, Chandler	6	30	36	1		40	6	25		
Thomasville	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	A Z Bowles, Thomasville	9	230	239	1		350	12	100	4	
Wallburg	John M Cheek, Wallburg	Walter McCuiston, Wallburg	9	120	129	1			12	106	7	
Welcome	T R Swicegood, Eller	C R Craver, Welcome	8	75	83	1			12	55		
Totals 1912			186	2473	2659	23	450	3132	231	1579	64	
Totals 1911			173	2325	2498	21	370	2908	208	1454	52	318 62
Totals 1910			170	2108	2281	21	560	2629	201	1378	92	448 22
Totals 1909			167	2003	2169	20	300	2329	192	1376	37	359 47
Totals 1908			172	2125	2398	24	375	1949	219	1441	120	368 35
Totals 1907			158	1616	1772	24	375	2191	219	1441	120	550 46

FINANCIAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER, 1912.

CHURCHES	L P Institute	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education	Old Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects	Minute Fund	TOTAL
Abbott's Creek	$	$150 00	$	$	$29 00	$	15 00	$ 6 00	$13 50	$ 2 00	$28 50	$	5 00	4 50	15 00	$1 60	$ 270 10
Center Hill		100 00		25 00	6 00		6 00	4 00	10 50	1 00	3 56		2 00	1 10	142 50	1 15	302 81
Denton		150 00	57 50	17 00	70 74		11 00	5 00	11 00	2 00	19 00		4 00	3 00		1 30	351 54
Gravel Hill		65 00			6 00		8 00	3 50	10 00		10 00				45 00	50	148 00
Holloway's		120 00			6 20		20 00	7 00	22 50		20 00						
Jersey		175 00			9 50		31 01	13 96	27 94	3 00	26 91		5 00	3 50	45 00	2 00	251 20
Lexington		1120 90	2916 10	222 72	112 35	8 00	40 09	44 97	77 25		32 29		8 00	5 00	29 45	85	330 62
Liberty		75 00			2 50		5 00	5 00	12 00	1 00	10 00				112 89		4687 56
Lick Creek		170 00		24 25	3 00		5 00	5 00	10 00		13 60		2 00	2 00	3 55	1 00	119 05
New Friendship		150 00		52 00	14 50		15 00	6 00	12 00	2 50	15 00		3 00	2 31		1 00	237 16
Oak Grove		25 00	600 00		2 50		1 50	1 00	1 00				3 00	2 00		1 60	273 60
Oak Hill		55 25			3 00		5 00	2 10	2 25		5 00					30	631 30
Orphanage		256 83	245 70				73 52	67 13	93 42	7 68	212 53	223 50	51 37	30 73	5 00	50	73 60
Piney		200 00		25 00	26 24		18 87		13 10		10 20		5 00	2 92	56 35		1318 77
Reeds		131 70		37 00	16 00		16 71	9 25	21 10	2 00	17 80		5 05	5 00	42 00	1 35	302 68
Rich Fork		150 00	150 00	32 00	15 00		12 50	6 00	10 00		18 00		4 00	2 50		1 50	305 11
Smith Grove		38 70		92 50	7 77		4 00	5 00	3 57							1 00	401 00
Stoner's Grove		120 00	125 00	5 00	50 00		15 00	8 00	13 00	2 00	11 00		6 50			2 00	153 54
Summerville		60 00	200 00				2 00	1 25	2 50		3 00		1 00	1 50		2 10	357 60
Taylor's Grove		35 00			2 50		2 50	1 00	2 00		4 00		1 00				271 25
Thomasville	25 00	500 00	3277 46	80 60	105 00		88 46	68 45	86 89	5 00	50 00	100 00	28 90	12 00	69 77	2 00	48 00
Wallburg		200 00	7 00	44 00	28 63		69 00	30 00	63 43		64 34	5 60	7 00	6 00	65 43	2 00	4499 53
Welcome		50 00	2624 03		1 00		8 00	2 50	1 50								590 43
Totals 1912	25 00	4098 38	10203 39	657 07	517 43	8 00	473 16	302 11	520 45	28 18	574 73	329 10	141 82	84 06	628 45	22 35	2687 63
Totals 1911		3761 11	4242 98	634 46	318 62	62 70	430 39	358 55	481 02	19 90	570 53	394 00	113 27	76 94	262 22	29 50	18613 68
Totals 1910		3747 23	1974 60	920 05	448 22	12 52	422 53	335 39	440 53		491 24	92 00	116 62	89 68	278 36	25 14	11632 39
Totals 1909		3225 10	4134 87	701 60	329 47	17 45	417 42	276 45	463 56		527 66	100 88	119 48	65 49	385 24	21 55	9599 32
Totals 1908		3723 25	4023 82	645 71	368 85	10 00	412 88	310 96	456 21		816 47	10 00	98 10	58 47	396 91	80 24	10873 77
Totals 1907		3261 53	377 20	440 27	294 49	7 50	432 54	252 01	586 28		676 23	20 06	90 91	55 52	893 09	18 49	11462 95
																	7142 48

STATISTICAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—SEPTEMBER, 1912.

CHURCHES	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	Time of Preaching.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Totals.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Totals.	Gain.	Loss.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	3rd.	1			1			1	1			55	110	165
Center Hill	C. A. Owen, Lexington	1st.	3			3					3		35	57	92
Denton	L. A. Tysinger Denton	2nd.		1		1	3		1	4		3	64	65	129
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	4th.		2		2		4	1	5		3	14	20	34
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	2nd.	16			16	4	2	1	7	9		74	116	190
Jersey	L. A. Smith, Linwood	3rd.			2	2	3	8		11		9	59	86	145
Lexington	P. U. Critcher, Lexington	52	2	6		8	16		2	18		10	114	175	289
Liberty	H. P. May, Hannersville	4th.		3		3		4	6	10		7	60	105	165
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill		3			3	2		2	4		1	56	78	134
New Friendship	B. F. Charles, Winston-Salem	1st.	10			10	9	1	1	11		1	41	77	118
Oak Grove	Ben Johnson, Winston-Salem	4th.	2			2					2		3	5	8
Oak Hill	M. F. Underwood, Trinity	1, 3	7			7					7		17	14	31
Orphanage	C. M. Howell, Thomasville		33	9		42	17	1	1	19	23		72	148	220
Piney	H. E. Lomax, Jubilee	4th.	4	2		6	5	5	1	11		5	83	113	196
Reeds	D. C. Craver, Lexington, Route No. 3						4			4		4	62	82	144
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	4th.	2			2	1		1	2			40	92	132
Smith Grove	A. A. Young, Julibee	4th.	19			19					19		39	42	81
Stoner's Grove	A. L. Stener, Southmont		4	9		13	1		1	2		11	35	41	76
Summerville	Edney Bean, Silver Hill		21	3	2	26		1	1	2	24		46	85	131
Taylor's Grove	D. M. Summey, Chandler	3rd.	2			2			1	1	1		4	11	15
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	52	11	23	2	36	6		2	8	28		60	120	180
Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	2, 4	9	5		14	4	2	1	7	7		63	82	145
Welcome	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	1st.	11	5		16					16		13	14	27
Totals 1912			160	68	6	234	75	28	24	127	139	54	1109	1738	2847
Totals 1911			167	112	6	291	85	14	31	130	177	16	1165	1787	2954
Totals 1910			158	70	4	232	98	66	24	187	132	98	1066	1667	2733
Totals 1909			104	51	8	163	128	12	25	163	82	82	1012	1587	2756
Totals 1908			275	72	10	385	113	23	21	157	226	59	1061	1641	2702
Totals 1907			188	68	8	264	63	21	24	108	191	35	1003	1557	2560

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EXECUTIVE BOARD.

G. A. Martin, Chairman; R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green, P. S. Vann.

Every member of the Executive Board is expected to be present at a meeting in the Baptist Church at Denton in the afternoon of the 29th of November.

PROCEEDINGS.

Thomasville, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
September 9, 1913.

The eightieth annual session of the Liberty Baptist Association was called to order by the Moderator, Henry Sheets, at 1:30 P. M., Tuesday, September 9, 1913.

The introductory sermon was preached at 11 A. M. by M. L. Kesler. His text was Nehemiah 4:6.

The letters from the churches were read by G. A. Martin and J. M. Newton.

Henry Sheets was re-elected Moderator and S. H. Averitt was re-elected treasurer.

Upon motion of G. A. Martin, article five of the constitution was amended to read: "The officers shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.

G. A. Martin was elected Vice-Moderator.

Walters Grove Church was received back into the Association.

J. M. Hamrick, J. F. Fletcher and W. C. Smith were recognized as new pastors in the Association.

The Association adopted the following:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Tuesday.

11:00 A. M.—Introductory Sermon—Rev. M. L. Kesler.

Afternoon.

1:30 to 2:30—Reading Church Letters—Organization.
2:30 to 3:00—Miscellaneous Business.
3:00 to 3:30—Biblical Recorder.
3:30 to 4:00—Orphanage.

Wednesday.

9:30 to 10:00—Devotional Exercises.
10:00 to 10:30—Laymen's Movement.
10:30 to 11:00—Sunday Schools.
11:00 to 11:30—State Missions.

Afternoon.

1:30 to 2:30—Education.
2:30 to 3:00—Woman's Work.
3:00 to 3:30—Ministerial Relief.
3:30 to 4:30—Home Missions.

Thursday.

9:30 to 10:00—Devotional Exercises.
10:00 to 10:30—Miscellaneous Business.
10:30 to 11:30—Foreign Missions.
11:30 to 12:00—Appointment of Committees—Adoption of Resolutions, etc.

J. M. Hamrick was elected associational representative of foreign missions.

The moderator appointed J. F. Fletcher, J. M. Hamrick and Jeff Lanning committee on time and place for next meeting of the Association.

The Moderator appointed the following finance committee: J. M. Newton and Charlie Snider.

Preston S. Vann read the report on the Biblical Recorder:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER.

The Biblical Recorder is our own denominational newspaper. It is owned and run by a stock company composed of Baptists. Its editor is elected and endorsed by our Baptist State Convention.

The price of the paper is $1.50 a year. It is a sixteen-page paper with a moderate amount of advertising matter, and that of the best quality.

The quality of reading matter in the Biblical Recorder is not excelled by any newspaper or magazine. One who reads the Recorder each week keeps in close touch with the movements of the Baptists, not only in North Carolina but all over the world.

From a literary standpoint the Recorder holds a dignified position. The editorials are instructive, not only in religious questions, but in the current topics of the day.

The contributed articles, the literary notes, news notes, Sunday school department, Baptist Young People's Mission notes and all are very interesting and highly instructive.

Each church in the Association should have one Sunday set aside and a special sermon by the pastor on our literature, and especially the Biblical Recorder.

The report was discussed by Preston S. Vann and W. M. Green, representing the Recorder, and the report was adopted.

In the absence of the report on the Orphanage the Orphanage was discussed by S. H. Averitt, M. L. Kesler, G. A. Martin and J. M. Hamrick. Pledges were taken.

The roll of churches was called and the following responded by letter:

Abbott's Creek—C. H. Teague, Harvey Teague, D. S. Hayworth.
Center Hill—I. G. Yarboro, A. A. Yarboro, C. F. Richard.
Denton—J. R. Newsome, Charlie Snider, N. A. Hedrick.
Gravel Hill—
Holloways—D. R. Beanblossom, B. R. Cross, J. F. Beanblossom.
Huldah—G. Bean, Jason Miller, A. L. Bean.
Jersey—W. S. Disher, W. L. Smith, F. L. Miller.
Lexington—W. S. Anderson, H. P. Gallimore, S. E. Miller.
Liberty—H. E. Myers, S. H. Kindley, Haywood Andrews.
Lick Creek—Clay Rush, J. E. Skeen, P. M. Snider.
New Friendship—A. P. Snider, C. F. Lopp.
Oak Grove—C. A. Brendle, Walker Ingram, Ben Johnson.
Oak Hill—M. F. Underwood, C. N. Royals.
Orphanage—S. H. Averitt, J. D. Newton, F. B. Hamrick.
Piney—R. K. Williams, W. H. Lomax, L. E. Rickard
Reeds—J. A. Myers, D. C. Craver, L. C. Snider.
Rich Fork—Jno. Kennedy, Mack Eddinger, T. H. Small.

Smith Grove—S. R. Simmerson, G. C. Orrell, Chas. Byerly.
Stoner's Grove—L. C. Lomax, O. E. Stoner.
Summerville—W. O. Westmoreland.
Taylor's Grove—A. H. Michael, William Loftin, D. M. Summey.
Thomasville—W. H. Elliott, Dr. M. A. Bowers, Dr. J. E. Hobgood.
Wallburg—G. W. Wall, C. C. Smith, E. E. Jenkins.
Walter's Grove—J. T. Pierce, R. W. Prevost.
Welcome—E. J. Zimmerman, John Leonard.

The Association was adjourned until the following morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. F. Fletcher.

The Association was called to order at 10 o'clock.

Archibald Johnson read the

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE ORPHANAGE.

The Thomasville Baptist Orphanage should need no introduction to the members of this Associaton, particularly since the present session is convening so near the home of her founder, with his remains lying near by in the church yard.

For various reasons her needs are greater now than they have ever been in the past. Among other causes there is the opening of the Kennedy home, which, of course, increases the number to be cared for. And in addition to the greater numbers, there is the steadily increasing cost of living. For example, a few years ago the average cost of caring for each child within the orphanage was about $58 per year, now the average cost is about $100; at that time there were about two hundred and fifty children cared for, now there are over four hundred.

Thus we may see her needs, and how they are increasing. The situation challenges our best efforts; shall we meet it? If so, by what method? Our suggestion is that our pastors, Sunday school superintendents and other church workers strive to educate the masses with regards to this work and its needs, trusting the Master for results. One phase of this education should be the effort to bring it about that each member of the church and Sunday school make regular contributions—not necessarily the contribution of a Kennedy, a Little or a Miss Galloway, for if we cannot give great things, we may be as the widow giving her mite. For thus we may be laying up our treasures "Where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and thieves do not break through and steal."

Shall we not strive to be faithful to this trust so that in the end our Master may say unto us:

"Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

R. S. GREEN,
For Committee.

Secretary E. L. Middleton, Secretary Livingston Johnson, C. J. Thompson and L. W. Bagley were recognized and given a hearty welcome.

By vote the time was extended to allow thirty minutes for the discussion of Laymen's Movement.

Archibald Johnson read the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, that this Association heartily endorse the Laymen's Movement and pledge the best efforts to put the organization into active operation among the churches.

This subject was discussed by Archibald Johnson and J. M. Hamrick. Henry Sheets and G. A. Martin were appointed a committee to organize the Laymen's Movement in this Association.

B. R. Cross read the

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee believes in Sunday schools. Many of us would be more ignorant of our Father's will toward us than we are were it not for the Sunday school. When we are engaged in Sunday school we are only imitating our Master. Because it was His practice to go into the sanctuary and teach on the Sabbath.

We find by last year's report only one church in this Association is without a Sunday school. We would urge that one to get together and have Sunday school. If all the people in North Carolina were worthy members of some Sunday school, there would not be much need of court-house and jail. Because the Sunday school is not where the criminals come from.

We are gaining slowly. We find in 1895 we had 141 teachers, 1,309 scholars; in 1912 we had 186 teachers, 2,473 scholars. We long to see the day when many more of our church members will want to know more about the Lord's will toward His people. One thing we lack is teachers who can make the lessons of more interest. We would urge our Sunday schools to co-operate with the State board in contributing to its needs.

Respectfully submitted,

B. R. CROSS.
C. H. TEAGUE, Committee.

The report was discussed by Secretary L. Middleton and adopted.

Mesdames J. M. Hamrick, N. A. Hedrick and C. M. Howell were recognized as delegates from the Woman's Association, which met in the Denton Church.

On motion the pledges to Sunday school missions was to be advanced ten per cent.

M. L. Kesler read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

During the past year over ten thousand sermons have been preached on State mission fields; three hundred and thirty-five points supplied; three thousand added by letter and baptism; over twenty-six hundred professions of faith, and twenty new church buildings going up. These figures sum up the larger part of the advanced Christian activity in North Carolina.

Baptist growth and influence in every direction, in our own state and to the ends of the earth, depend upon the thoroughness with which the State Mission task is performed.

Industrial and commercial progress mean decline in religion unless new churches are organized and manned by strong pastors, able to grapple with these new conditions of life. In some sections the country church seems to be losing out. Our State Board

is called upon to study this situation and help in supplying the remedy. In our own Association Lexington and Thomasville are becoming manufacturing centers, and there are some country communities that have been too long neglected. But our need is very small when compared with other sections of the State, and we must see that the work is one and measure our giving accordingly.

We recommend and urge that we make a decided increase in our contributions to State missions and that we be more systematic in collections.

M. L. KESLER,
T. H. SMALL, Committee.

After the discussion by M. L. Kesler and Livingston Johnson the report was adopted and pledges were taken.

On motion it was voted to read and discuss woman's work, home missions and foreign missions all together, just after the noon recess.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:30 P. M. the Moderator called the Association to order and prayer was offered by Jeff Lanning.

M. L. Kesler read the following resolution:

"In view of the growing importance of the Denton field, we urge our executive committee to make as liberal provision as possible for the work on that field." This resolution was adopted.

Arthur R. Gallimore read the

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

It does not seem necessary to emphasize again the need of trained workers. But, more and more the churches are demanding efficient and educated leaders in all phases of Christian activity. Saint Luke tells us that Jesus "grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." And it is certainly important that those who work for the upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom should grow likewise.

We are all familiar with the rapid advances which are being made in secular education. Then, if we are to keep abreast of the times and lead the people in matters of religion, we must make provision for the training of our ministers. "Like preacher, like people," some one has expressed it. In order to lead one must first know how to follow. The great incentive to a supreme life-purpose is a vital contact with a great teacher, who can inspire his fellows and lead them into their highest possibilities.

Now, may we ask where this is to be done? We are confident that this training can nowhere be given better than in our own secondary schools and colleges. From these "power houses" come those who go on to our seminary and become our denominational leaders. But, to retain their high standard, these schools must have our hearty support. Let us then be loyal to them and give to them of our means and our prayers.

A. R. GALLIMORE, For Committee.

J. F. Fletcher read the

REPORT ON LIBERTY-PIEDMONT INSTITUTE.

Liberty-Piedmont Institute, the adopted school of this Association, located at Wallburg, N. C., presents to us a delicate situation, the

results of the solution of which will be felt in years to come, years in which there will remain only the memory of many of us.

The life of a Christian institution is greater than that of any individual and its field of usefulness is oftentimes unlimited.

With its ten years of active service our school continues to increase in its power for good, but as has been said in the report on the school to this Association for the past several years, its future is made very uncertain because of financial conditions.

The school and its mission has never appealed to the people of the Associations which have adopted it with sufficient force to cause them to feel a live, wide-awake interest in its welfare. The people of the Association, if they thoroughly realize the value of denominational effort and co-operation, ought to talk about, pray for and give unrestricted support to this phase of the work. Is it right for any institution sailing under denominational colors to struggle along with uncertain strides because of a seeming lack of interest on the part of the Baptists of the Liberty Association? Is denominational secondary education worth while? If so, is it right for this institution to have to go outside the bounds of its territory in search of students, the charges for whose tuition must provide for the payment of the expense of operation? The school welcomes students from other territory—but the school can well accommodate almost twice the number it has on roll at present with its equipment and teaching force, and we contend that this enrollment should be doubled from the bounds of the Liberty, Piedmont and South Yadkin Associations. The financial situation is one that needs no explanation to this body. Financially the school stands just about where it has stood for the past several years, but present indications are that the crisis is near at hand and that some one is going to have to render some financial aid in the near future. The school, operating on its present basis, can never clear any money; all it can ever hope to do is to make running expenses, and with the present sums that must be paid out for interest it cannot hope to do even this. It seems to me that it is time for our people either to assume an aggressive attitude toward the support of the school or to decide that the system is not worth while. Believing that in our educational system complete lies the future strength of our denomination, I call on the brethren and sisters of this Association to take an active stand not only for Christian education, but I urge you to be first in a movement which I believe will surely come for the establishment of a well mapped out policy for our denomination with regard to its secondary educational institutions. Plans and ideas enough have been suggested and the time for acton is certainly here. Let's act in the living present.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. FLETCHER,

L. A. TYSINGER, Committee.

These reports were discussed by J. F. Fletcher, Jno. M. Cheek, J. M. Hamrick, M. L. Kesler and Archibald Johnson and adopted.

S. H. Averitt read the

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Woman's work met with much opposition in the years of its infancy. Many of the brethren who were godly men and interested in the advancement of church work seemed to feel that if the women of the church organized themselves into missionary so-

cieties every thing would go to pieces. They struggled on, however, with this difficulty overhanging their efforts for several years. But the spirit of the Lord had entered their hearts and the desire to do something for the advancement of God's Kingdom in the world took possession of their lives and in spite of opposition they began to work.

Year by year their contributions increased till the brethren saw this effort was not demoralizing the church, but their gifts added materially to the amount given by the church.

The woman's work does not seek to make contributions to any object except through the church, and the treasurer of the individual society is instructed to pay all moneys to the church treasurer be sent to the State treasurer with instructions to credit woman's work with the amount.

If a church pledges $100 to any object and the women through their missionary society have made $50 for this object, the church need raise only $50 more to make good their pledge.

There are five societies included in the woman's work. The Woman's Missionary Society, the Young Woman's Auxiliary, the Junior Young Woman's Auxiliary, the Royal Ambassadors and the Sunbeams.

There is an effort made to get the name of each woman in the church as members of the W. M. Society. Their presence and prayers are needed, as is their monthly contributions. This is the ideal. Only a few reach this, but the ratio is increasing.

In the beginning there were efforts made to get the children, boys and girls, organized into Sunbeam Bands. These began twenty-five years ago. As the children grew and reached the age of twelve or fourteen years it seemed best to take these older ones and form older societies for them. Thus we have the Junior Y. W. A. As these advance the older ones are again transferred and form the Young Woman's Auxiliary, who in time become feeders for the Woman's Missionary Society, well trained to take up the work of their mothers. The boys are organized into the Royal Ambassadors. It is much easier to interest the girls in joining the higher grades than it is the boys to take up the Ambassador work. Yet it is true that these boys will be the men in ten or fifteen years and will hold the purse-strings. If they are informed concerning missions and the need of money they will be liberal givers; hence the importance of interesting them in this work after they leave the Sunbeams.

Contributions are made to foreign, home and State missions, Louisville Training School, Sunday School Board, Bible fund, Margaret Home and expense fund for defraying the expenses of the central committee of each State.

There is an annex to the Louisville Theological Seminary for young ministers, where young women who want to give themselves as missionaries for city, home or foreign fields can go and receive instruction along the lines they need for their future life.

The Margaret Home is property in Greenville, S. C., owned by the Southern Baptist Convention, where the children of home or foreign missionaries whose parents prefer to have them educated in the home land can come and be cared for by a "house-mother" and sent to the graded schools of Greenville till they complete this course. The girls are then taken in the Greenville Seminary for Girls, and the boys into the Furman University, an institution for the boys. Thus South Carolina gives free tuition to these children through a college course. Their parents pay for their clothes.

The Sunbeams pay for the household expenses and their board.

In 1889 the women of the Southern Baptist Convention gave all told $30,773.69. In 1913 they gave $300,848.11. Of this amount North Carolina women contributed $39,668.96.

For the year ending February 28, 1914, the North Carolina women are asked for $42,000.

Foreign Missions	$ 17,700.00
Home Missions	11,250.00
State Missions	11,000.00
Louisville Training School	1,250.00
State Central Board	200.00
Expense Fund	600.00

J. M. Hamrick read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A just and comprehensive view of foreign mission opportunities at present is the greatest inspiration in the Kingdom of God on earth.

The complete transformation of China within the last year or so is one of the greatest events in human history. A radical change of one-fourth of the human race intellectually and politically and the making of them ready for spiritual readjustment, in so short a time, is without parallel in the history of nations.

The Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Va., is a committee appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention to carry on this, our foreign mission work, by the co-operation of all our churches and in behalf of all our people.

It is our work. One member of the board lives in each State and is called the State vice-president. A representative of the board lives in every Association. He is expected to confer with the board and with the churches in the interest of the work. At present meeting of the body this Association is expected to elect this representative of the Foreign Mission Board to serve until the next meeting of the Association.

Our present fields are Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Italy, Africa, Japan and China.

The total receipts for the year amounted to $543,446. The expenses for the work in this country have been heavier than usual this year from several causes. Yet it can be seen by examination of the treasurer's report that of all the money received, less than 15 per cent was used for expenses.

The Southern Baptist Convention asked for an apportionment of $646,500 for foreign missions this year. It will take this sum to maintain the work, pay off past obligations and make such advance that the board can send out a few missionaries to points where it is absolutely necessary to have reinforcements. The apportionment committee has asked North Carolina to raise $52,000 of the amount.

The year was of necessity for the most part a time of preparation for the Judson Centennial Movement. It was not to be expected that a very large amount in pledges would be secured during the first year. It is a great joy to announce that there has been received in cash and pledges $251,781.

A great year, crowned with success and containing but few disappointments, lies behind us. Our expectations for the convention year are high. We look for glorious advances on the foreign fields. Our people at home must and will sustain these conquering forces

at the front. We must gird ourselves for the greatest campaign we have ever known. It should begin at once and continue through all the months. Let us make it earnest, strenuous and so pervasive that it will reach every church and every member. Above all, let it be profoundly prayerful. May God, working through His people, cause the record for the year to go far beyond all the records of the past. This alone will meet the imperative demands of this day of great obligation and wonderful opportunity.

G. A. Martin read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The history of home missions covers a period of sixty-eight years, and justifies the wisdom of its organization. It is a religious corporation and finds its Magna Charta in the great command of the triumphant Christ, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

It is generally recognized among us Baptists that a New Testament church has for its primary object the evangelization of the world, and that every member of the church is bound to do everything in his power to accomplish that task. In the words of our risen Master we have His programme for missionary activity. Begin at home and go out towards the ends of the earth—but Go. As loyal Christians we cannot refuse to send the Gospel of the blessed God to the regions beyond. But to insure a perennial outflowing of this stream of missionary endeavor we must look well to the home base.

The heathen within our gates are a greater menace to our cherished Christian institutions and afford, therefore, a greater and more urgent field of labor than the heathen abroad. Realizing this, the Home Board is trying to meet the oncoming and ever-increasing tide of heathen immigration with the Gospel message with the hope of winning them to Jesus. We must meet them with the Gospel and Christianize them or run the risk of being Paganized by them. In New York City and Chicago, where the foreign element predominates, heathen temples in which daily sacrifices are offered to Pagan gods lift their spires in rivalry with the churches of Jesus Christ. These conditions must prevail until the heart of the heathen opens and enthrones the Christ.

The activities of the Home Board are confined to the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, Cuba, the Isle of Pines and Panama. With 20,000,000 people in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention who have no connection with any evangelical church; there remains much yet to be done. With more than 3,000 churches with no house in which to worship and with three times that number lying down on Christ as to His great command there is great need for the ministrations of the board.

We look to the new department, "enlistment and co-operation," with hopes of better things. We believe that our people will rally to the call of the brethren when they are made to see the great needs and the boundless possibilities. The board is in need of funds with which to enter the open doors and meet present obligations. It is our duty to share the burdens and our privilege to merit some of the rewards.

Respectfully sumbitted,

G. A. MARTIN,
M. F. UNDERWOOD,
Committee.

These reports were discussed by S. H. Averitt and C. J. Thompson, and adopted.

It was moved and carried to raise all the pledges twenty-five per cent above the pledges for last year.

The Moderator appointed the following committee to nominate the Executive Committee of the Association: B. R. Cross, T. H. Small and A. P. Snider.

G. W. Wall, F. B. Hamrick and Preston S. Vann were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

M. L. Kesler and alternate J. M. Hamrick were appointed delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Jno. M. Cheek, Dr. M. A. Bowers, P. V. Critcher were appointed to organize and operate a Sunday School Convention for this Association.

J. M. Hamrick, G. A. Martin and Archibald Johnson were appointed to arrange programmes and places for holding the Union meetings for each fifth Sunday from now to the next meeting of the Association.

G. A. Martin was elected to represent this Association in the State Board of Missions, and that his expenses in meeting with this board be paid out of the funds raised for State missions.

The Association was adjourned.

J. M. Hamrick preached to a large congregation on Wednesday evening.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. C. Smith.

At 10:00 o'clock the Moderator called the Association to order.

The committee on time, place and preacher for next meeting of the Association reported as follows:

Place—Holloways Church.
Time—Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1914.
To preach the introductory sermon—G. A. Martin; alternate, W. C. Smith. The report was adopted.

It was moved and carried to discontinue the reading of church letters to the Association, and four dollars and sixty cents was raised to purchase blackboard map for the use of the clerk to record the facts before the sessions of the Association.

The clerk reported that the Association was due him fourteen dollars and fifty cents for past services as clerk, and he agreed to compromise by letting the Association pay him five dollars, and the treasurer was asked to collect this five dollars and pay same to the clerk.

A motion was made and carried to request each church in the As-

sociation to send in its letter immediately after the fourth Sunday in August.

The committee to nominate the Executive Committee of the Association reported as follows: G. A. Martin, chairman, R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green and Preston S. Vann. The report was adopted.

Home missions was discussed by G. A. Martin and M. L. Kesler.

The reports on woman's work, home missions and foreign missions were adopted.

M. L. Kesler offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, that the chairman of the Executive Committee send a special request to every pastor in the Association urging a Christmas offering for the aged ministers, using the appointment nearest the Christmas time."

This resolution was discussed by G. A. Martin, M. L. Kesler, J. M. Hamrick, J. D. Newton.

J. M. Hamrick offered the following resolution:

Resolved, that we, the Liberty Association, tender our thanks to Rich Fork Church and the people of the community for their hospitable entertainment during the present session of the Association.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports for the next session of the Association upon the subject indicated:

Foreign Missions—J. F. Fletcher.
Home Missions—J. M. Hamrick.
State Missions—Archibald Johnson.
Biblical Recorder—S. H. Averitt.
Orphanage—J. M. Cheek.
Sunday Schools—G. F. Hawkins.
Ministerial Relief—Jeff Lanning.
Liberty-Piedmont Institute—M. L. Kesler.
Woman's Work—G. A. Martin.
Ministerial Education—J. D. Newton.
Order of Business—Preston S. Vann, G. A. Martin.
Report of Executive Committee—The chairman.

The Union meetings will be held on the fifth Sundays, and the Fridays and Saturdays before, in the following order: Denton, Welcome, Jersey, Wallburg.

The Association was adjourned with prayer by J. M. Hamrick.

PLEDGES FOR 1913--1914.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers' Relief.	Total
Abbott's Creek	$16.50	$ 6.00	$14.00	$ 5.00	$25.00	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	$ 76.00
Center Hill	11.00	3.50	9.50	2.20	7.00	2.50	3.50	39.20
Denton	12.00	6.00	12.00	2.20	19.00	4.50	3.50	59.20
Gravel Hill	9.00	5.50	8.50	1.10	10.00	2.00	2.00	38.10
Holloway's	22.00	8.00	25.00	2.20	20.00	5.50	5.50	88.20
Huldah	2.50	2.50	3.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	14.00
Jersey	27.50	11.00	27.00	3.30	25.00	9.00	6.50	109.30
Lexington	100.00	40.00	75.00	12.00	50.00	11.00	11.00	299.00
Liberty	6.00	6.00	13.00	1.10	11.00	2.50	2.50	42.10
Lick Creek	11.00	7.00	22.00	2.20	25.00	4.00	4.00	75.20
New Friendship	17.50	7.00	13.00	2.75	20.00	4.00	3.50	67.75
Oak Grove	5.00	4.00	2.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	19.00
Oak Hill	10.00	5.50	5.50	1.00	6.00	2.00	2.00	32.00
Orphanage	75.00	40.00	77.00	5.50	100.00	27.00	11.00	335.50
Piney	27.50	12.00	29.00	2.20	30.00	5.50	5.50	111.70
Reeds	16.50	10.00	22.00	2.20	20.00	6.00	6.00	82.70
Rich Fork	15.00	9.00	13.00	2.20	18.00	4.50	3.50	65.20
Smith Grove	6.00	3.00	3.50	1.10	20.00	3.00	2.00	38.60
Stoner's Grove	15.00	9.00	16.00	2.20	25.00	5.00	5.50	77.70
Summerville	3.00	1.50	3.00	1.00	4.00	1.75	1.50	15.75
Taylor's Grove	3.00	1.50	2.50	.55	5.00	1.50	1.50	15.55
Thomasville	77.50	45.00	80.00	12.00	60.00	12.00	9.00	295.50
Wallburg	70.00	35.00	65.00	5.50	60.00	9.00	8.50	253.00
Walter's Grove	3.00	2.00	3.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	16.00
Welcome	2.50	3.00	5.50	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	19.00
Totals 1913	564.00	283.00	549.00	73.50	578.00	131.25	106.50	2285.25
Totals 1912	490.00	241.00	513.50	57.00	499.00	111.00	94.00	2005.50
Totals 1911	444.50	243.25	512.00	57.00	466.00	132.50	80.00	1938.25
Totals 1910	401.50	218.76	401.50	.....	470.00	97.50	73.00	1681.75
Totals 1909	387.00	213.50	406.00	.....	455.50	97.00	67.50	1626.50
Totals 1908	408.00	215.00	446.25	.....	531.50	106.00	72.50	1779.25
Totals 1907	387.50	205.00	427.00	.....	463.75	90.50	70.50	1674.75

TABLE I—FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1912--1913.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	Minute Fund.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.	Other Objects.	Total.
Abbott's Creek	$ 150.00	$ 40.00	$25.00	$.....	$.....	$2.00	$15.00	$ 6.00	$13.50	$ 2.00	$30.00	$.....	$ 5.00	$ 4.00	$ 8.85	$ 301.35
Center Hill	100.00	65.00	5.00	.....	.....	1.00	10.00	3.92	12.00	1.00	7.66	.....	2.00	2.75	20.15	230.48
Denton	150.00	350.00	45.00	93.35	.....	2.30	18.88	18.35	18.28	2.00	35.35	.....	4.00	3.00	12.00	752.51
Gravel Hill	60.00	.....	3.00	6.00	.....	.50	6.00	5.10	5.60	.....	8.00	.....	.....	2.00	60.00	156.20
Holloway's	150.00	.....	.....	6.50	.....	2.00	20.00	7.00	22.50	.....	20.00	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	238.00
Huldah	81.00	75.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.36	1.00	1.83	.....	2.55	.....	.....	1.61	.....	165.35
Jersey	175.00	8.20	33.76	.....	.....	2.55	26.00	10.00	25.00	3.00	20.00	.....	8.00	6.00	12.00	329.51
Lexington	1200.00	500.00	200.00	112.00	18.00	2.50	52.01	78.37	57.27	.....	51.37	11.35	.....	.....	5.75	2288.62
Liberty	75.00	.....	.....	3.00	.....	1.36	6.00	5.00	12.00	1.00	10.00	.....	2.00	2.00	50.05	167.41
Llek Creek	170.00	.....	22.00	.....	.....	1.00	5.00	6.00	20.00	.....	10.50	.....	.....	3.00	.....	237.50
New Friendship	150.00	152.00	72.00	12.14	.....	2.55	16.00	6.50	12.50	2.50	20.00	.....	3.50	3.00	.....	452.69
Oak Grove	25.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.50	4.60	.....	1.40	.....	4.00	.....	.....	1.00	.....	46.50
Oak Hill	51.30	70.00	.....	.....	.....	.50	10.00	5.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	148.80
Orphanage	239.31	.....	2.00	.....	.....	3.00	73.75	61.02	75.76	15.59	120.52	149.16	80.92	27.43	240.62	1089.08
Piney	200.00	.....	.....	32.00	.....	.....	22.00	11.15	18.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	283.15
Reeds	120.00	.....	35.00	16.00	.....	1.25	7.05	5.45	14.90	2.00	20.00	.....	2.60	5.00	.....	229.25
Rich Fork	125.00	105.00	52.00	21.00	.....	1.25	14.00	8.00	12.00	2.00	18.00	.....	4.00	3.00	.....	365.25
Smith Grove	100.00	.....	25.80	.....	.....	2.00	4.00	3.06	4.00	3.00	5.50	.....	.....	2.55	.....	149.91
Stoner's Grove	150.00	70.00	19.60	26.83	.....	.....	15.15	9.75	18.00	2.50	25.00	.....	4.00	5.00	12.19	356.02
Summerville	60.00	390.28	4.00	.....	.....	.50	2.00	1.25	.....	.....	1.85	.....	.....	3.00	13.65	476.53
Taylor's Grove	40.00	.....	.....	2.50	.....	.....	2.00	1.50	1.50	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	51.50
Thomasville	500.00	3388.57	121.45	118.65	.....	2.00	98.85	61.66	79.75	10.00	58.14	.....	23.50	8.00	75.90	4546.47
Wallburg	188.00	.....	44.00	30.00	.....	3.00	70.00	30.00	54.99	.....	35.00	6.00	.....	.....	44.85	505.84
Walter's Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Welcome	60.00	3.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	10.00	2.50	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	1.50	.....	97.00
Totals 1913	4319.61	5216.05	705.41	199.97	18.00	30.40	510.65	347.58	490.78	46.59	517.44	166.51	144.52	90.84	556.01	13664.92
Totals 1912	4098.38	10203.39	657.07	517.43	8.00	22.35	473.16	302.11	520.45	28.18	574.73	329.10	141.82	84.06	628.45	18613.68
Totals 1911	3761.11	4217.98	631.46	318.62	62.70	29.50	430.39	358.55	481.02	19.90	570.53	394.00	113.27	76.94	262.22	11632.39
Totals 1910	3747.23	1974.69	920.05	448.22	12.52	25.14	422.53	335.39	440.53	.....	491.24	92.00	116.62	89.68	278.36	9599.32
Totals 1909	3225.10	4134.87	701.60	329.47	17.45	21.55	417.42	276.45	463.56	.....	527.66	100.88	119.48	65.49	384.24	10873.77
Totals 1908	3723.25	4023.82	615.71	368.85	10.00	80.24	412.88	310.96	456.21	.....	816.47	10.00	98.10	58.47	396.91	11462.95
Totals 1907	3261.53	377.20	440.27	294.49	7.50	18.49	432.54	252.01	586.28	.....	676.23	20.06	90.91	55.52	893.09	7142.48

TABLE II—STATISTICAL—FOR THE YEAR 1913--1914.

CHURCH.	Pastor and Postoffice.	Clerk and Postoffice.	Time of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
Abbott's Creek..	Thomas Carrick, High Point.	C. H. Teague, Wallburg.....	Third	$ 1500	$ 600	12	....	....	1	....	4	60	111	171
Center Hill.....	Henry Sheets, Lexington.....	C. A. Owen, Lexington.....	First	1800	350	9	1	....	....	....	2	34	68	102
Denton	J. F. Fletcher, Denton.....	L. A. Tysinger, Denton.....	Second	2500	700	26	8	....	1	....	4	73	85	158
Gravel Hill.....	W. C. Smith, High Point....	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store..	Fourth	500	300	12	1	....	....	....	....	21	26	47
Holloway's	Henry Sheets, Lexington.....	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill.....	Second	800	375	2	1	....	....	....	1	75	117	191
Huldah	W. C. Smith, High Point.....	Webster Moore, Seagrove....	Third	575	400	13	4	1	1	1	....	23	29	52
Jersey	Henry Sheets, Lexington.....	L. A. Smith, Linwood.....	Third	3500	500	24	....	3	2	....	2	68	100	168
Lexington	J. M. Hamrick, Lexington...	P. V. Critcher, Lexington....	All	40000	1000	15	13	....	12	2	3	121	178	299
Liberty	Jeff Lanning, Denton.....	H. P. May, Hannersville....	Fourth	1000	500	20	1	7	....	1	5	71	115	186
Lick Creek.....	Thomas Carrick, High Point.	P. M. Snider, High Rock....	Fourth	1500	500	3	1	1	5	....	....	56	75	131
New Friendship.	.....	B. F. Charles, Winston, R. 5.	First	4000	400	17	1	1	....	2	5	43	85	129
Oak Grove.....	W. H. Wilson, Greensboro....	Ben Johnson, Winston-Salem.	Fourth	600	300	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	5	8
Oak Hill.....	G. A. Martin, Thomasville...	M. F. Underwood, Trinity....	First	500	250	1	....	2	2	....	....	18	14	32
Orphanage	G. A. Martin, Thomasville...	C. M. Howell, Thomasville...	2nd--4th	.....	.....	42	6	....	21	....	1	88	159	247
Piney	J. L. Carrick, Linwood.....	L. E. Pickard, Linwood.....	Fourth	1000	500	4	2	2	19	18	6	71	89	117
Reed's	J. M. Hamrick, Lexington....	D. C. Craver, Lexington....	First	3000	900	3	....	....	4	....	2	62	80	142
Rich Fork.....	Henry Sheets, Lexington.....	T. H. Small, Thomasville....	Fourth	1800	300	6	1	....	....	....	2	48	92	140
Smith Grove....	J. L. Carrick, Rockwell.....	A. A. Young, Jubilee.....	Fourth	1400	350	11	6	....	1	....	1	45	50	95
Stoner's Grove..	J. F. Fletcher, Denton.....	J. D. Lookabill, Southmont..	First	1800	500	....	....	1	1	....	2	34	41	75
Summerville ...	W. C. Smith, High Point....	Cicero Doby, Healing Spring.	First	700	500	4	....	....	....	1	5	47	90	137
Taylor's Grove.	Jeff Lanning, Denton.....	D. M. Summey, Chandlers....	Second	1000	500	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	11	15
Thomasville	G. A. Martin, Thomasville....	L. E. Teague, Thomasville....	All	15000	650	19	14	....	18	1	1	72	118	190
Wallburg	J. F. Fletcher, Denton.....	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg...	.....	700	500	7	....	....	7	....	2	58	73	131
Walter's Grove.	C. L. Taylor, Gold Hill.....	J. T. Pierce, Hannersville....	.....	100	175	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	26	32
Welcome	J. M. Hamrick, Lexington....	C. S. Haynes, Welcome.....	Third	2624	500	1	1	....	....	....	....	14	15	29
Totals 1913.....	.....	.....	.....	87899	11550	251	61	18	95	26	48	1215	1852	3067
Totals 1912.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160	68	6	75	28	24	1109	1738	2847
Totals 1911.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	167	112	6	85	14	31	1165	1787	2959
Totals 1910.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	158	70	4	98	66	24	1066	1667	2733
Totals 1909.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	104	51	8	128	12	25	1012	1587	2756
Totals 1908.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	275	72	10	113	23	21	1061	1641	2702
Totals 1907.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	188	68	8	63	21	24	1003	1557	2560

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS—FOR THE YEAR 1912--1913.

Church.	Superintendent and Postoffice.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total Enrollment.	Number of Schools.	Church members in school	No. organized adult classes.	Months kept open.	Average Attendance.	Number of Baptisms.	Contributions for Missions Orphanage, etc.	School Expenses.	Total Contributions
Abbott's Creek	D. S. Hayworth, High Point	8	81	89	1	36	2	12	45	11	$.....	$18.80	$ 18.80
Center Hill	J. L. Bowers, Lexington	7	91	98	1	45	2	12	60	....	.....	6.00	6.00
Denton	H. A. Cates, Denton	8	164	172	1	75	2	12	84	17	10.35	93.35	103.70
Gravel Hill	W. D. Loftin, Riley's Store	6	84	90	1	....	....	12	50	12	.....	.....	.....
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	5	72	77	1	25	2	12	35	2	.....	6.50	6.50
Huldah	R. G. King, Seagrove	4	34	38	1	....	....	6	30	....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	8	69	77	1	49	2	12	46	2	18.00	15.21	33.21
Lexington	G. W. Miller, Lexington	19	399	418	3	....	3	12	260	15	33.00	112.00	145.00
Liberty	S. H. Kindley, Thomasville, R. 3	7	70	77	1	50	2	6	32	6	.....	3.00	3.00
Lick Creek	Roy Morgan, High Rock	8	46	52	1	....	....	6	25	....	.....	10.00	10.00
New Friendship	F. Z. Wilson, Winston	6	65	71	1	....	2	9	38	....	.....	12.14	12.14
Oak Grove	C. A. Brendle, Winston	4	40	44	1	6	....	12	20	....	.....	10.00	10.00
Oak Hill		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	S. H. Averitt, Thomasville	16	430	446	1	....	....	12	420	42	147.46	.....	147.46
Piney	R. K. Williams, Linwood	16	68	84	1	50	2	12	56	4	15.00	.....	15.00
Reed's	Islie Myers, Lexington, R. 3	9	120	129	1	40	2	12	65	3	14.00	2.00	16.00
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	7	116	123	1	40	2	9	53	....	9.00	12.00	21.00
Smith Grove	G. A. Clemment, Jubilee	7	126	133	1	60	2	12	65	10	22.85	15.12	37.97
Stoner's Grove	S. E. Warfford, Linwood	7	68	75	1	....	....	12	50	....	.....	26.83	26.83
Summerville	W. O. Westmoreland, Denton	3	35	38	1	15	....	8	35	....	.....	1.51	1.51
Taylor's Grove	D. M. Summey, Chandler	5	40	45	1	10	....	6	....	....	.....	2.50	2.50
Thomasville	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	9	229	238	1	83	2	12	119	8	43.43	118.65	162.08
Wallburg	G. W. Wall, Wallburg	8	125	133	1	60	2	12	75	....	20.00	20.00	40.00
Walter's Grove	J. T. Pierce, Hannersville	5	75	80	1	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Welcome	E. J. Zimmerman, Welcome	8	100	108	1	23	2	12	50	1	.....	10.00	10.00
Totals 1913		190	2747	2937	26	667	33	240	1713	133	333.09	495.61	828.70
Totals 1912		186	2473	2659	23	....	....	231	1579	64	.....	.....	.....
Totals 1911		173	2325	2498	21	....	....	208	1454	52	.....	.....	.....
Totals 1910		170	2108	2281	21	....	....	201	1378	92	.....	.....	.....
Totals 1909		167	2003	2169	20	....	....	192	1376	37	.....	.....	.....
Totals 1908		172	2125	2398	24	....	....	219	1441	120	.....	.....	.....
Totals 1907		158	1616	1772	24	....	....	219	1441	120	.....	.....	.....

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

1st. This Association shall be called the Liberty Baptist Association.

2nd. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers who are members of, and those who may have pastoral charges within the associational district, and of three delegates from each church in the district aforesaid.

3rd. The said delegates before taking their seats shall produce letters from their respective churches, showing their appointment as delegates.

4th. The associational session shall be held at least once a year.

5th. The officers shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.

6th. The Moderator shall be chosen annually, but the Clerk shall continue in office at the pleasure of the Association.

7th. The Association shall be clothed with authority only to advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interest, but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in reference to their own government or internal polity.

8th. A committee of arrangements, consisting of three members, shall be appointed on the first day of each session to prepare and report an order of proceedings; and to suggest topics proper for the consideration and action of the Association; and the said committee shall report promptly on the morning of the second day of the Association.

9th. (As amended) Baptist ministers, not members of the Association, or any visiting brother from sister Associations, who may be present at any session of the body, may, on invitation of the body, take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.

10th. At each session of the Association there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of five, three of whom shall constitute a quorum, whose duty it shall be to superintend, and in conjunction with the Missionary Boards of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, direct the missionary operations of this Association.

11th. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

12th. This constitution may be altered only at an annual session of this Association and by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The Association shall meet punctually each day at the hour appointed, and on the presence of a quorum, the Moderator shall cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read.

2nd. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions or points of order, subject to an appeal from his decisions to the Association.

3rd. The Moderator shall be entitled to vote in case of an equal division of the Association.

4th. He shall not participate in debate except on points of order, unless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall have called another member to the chair.

5th. Members shall in debate, or on rising to make a motion, address themselves to the Moderator.

6th. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall designate the person who shall first occupy the floor.

7th. No member shall absent himself from the session of the Association without its leave.

8th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain day, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence to the order in which they stand here arrayed.

9th. All committees, unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of three members only.

10th. A committee shall be appointed on the first day of every session to designate ministers to preach during the session of the Association.

11th. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Moderator, unless it receive a second.

12th. No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the body.

13th. No member shall speak more than twice on any question unless by consent of the Association.

14th. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read publicly in the Association on the second day of the session.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK OF THE LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association held its seventh annual session with the Denton Baptist Church, Tuesday and Wednesday, August 26 and 27, 1913.

After devotional exercises led by the President, Mrs. Preston S. Vann, Mrs. L. A. Bagley led the Union in prayer, and the meeting was in order. In the absence of Mrs. John M. Cheek, Mrs. C. M. Howell was elected secretary pro. tem. of the Association.

A very cordial and hearty welcome was extended to the Association by Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, of Denton, to which Mrs. S. D. Swaim, of Lexington, happily responded in well chosen words. The roll of societies was called and delegates from each society was enrolled. The reports of the societies were next called for, and every society in the Association was represented by letter or delegate.

The President made her annual report, which was highly encouraging. She stated that the aim for each Association is four new societies a year organized. The Liberty has organized two. We have now eight W. M. S., five Sunbeam Bands, one Y. W. A. and one Royal Ambassador Chapter.

This report was indeed gratifying, and as we reviewed the past year's achievements we were shown the great opportunities and privileges in the present and future.

Mrs. L. A. Bagley, of Littleton, Vice-President of the Tar River Association, who has come to be one of our orphanage workers, was then introduced, and given a hearty welcome to the Association.

The report of the various societies was read and each followed by a three minutes talk of how they attained their present facts and figures.

These reports showed splendid work being done and a great increase in gifts. The recommendations of the Central Committee were read by Mrs. G. C. Palmer, and discussed by Mrs. L. A. Bagley. They were adopted by the body for the coming year.

On motion the Association was adjourned until 2 o'clock for noon recess. Prayer by Mrs. C. M. Wall.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the President at 2:15. Prayer by Mrs. S. D. Swaim.

The following committees were appointed:

Time and place—Mrs. C. M. Wall, Mrs. O. E. Stoner and Miss Sadie Peters.

Literature and traveling library—Mesdames L. A. Bagley, Jno. M. Cheek, Mary Davis and Miss Pearl Dickens.

Apportionment—Mesdames R. S. Green, S. D. Swaim, Will H. Johnson and Russell.

Nomination—Mesdames W. H. Elliott, J. P. Holloman, C. M. Howell and Miss Grogan.

Obituaries—Mesdames A. E. Warner, Lomax and Beanblossom.

The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. R. S. Green, who conducted the conference on the young people's work.

The Sunbeam work was discussed by Mrs. L. A. Bagley, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, Mrs. Vann and Mrs. O. E. Stoner.

The Royal Ambassadors was discussed by Mesdames Swaim, Howell, Bagley, Wall, Vann and Green.

The Y. W. A. was discussed by Miss Mary Green, Miss Grogan and Mrs. W. H. Elliott.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock tonight.

TUESDAY NIGHT SESSION.

At 8 o'clock a large congregation gathered to hear a masterful address by Dr. W. C. Tyree, of High Point, on the subject of World Wide Missions.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. J. F. Fletcher, pastor of Denton Church.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Nine-thirty to ten, devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. A. E. Warner.

At 10 o'clock the Association was called to order for the transaction of business. The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The committee on time and place reported Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1914, with the Lexington Baptist Church.

The committee on nominations reported as follows: President, Mrs. Preston S. Vann; Vice-President, Mrs. L. A. Bagley; Secretary, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick; Superintendent of Junior Missionary organization, Mrs. John M. Cheek; Superintendents of Literature and Traveling Libraries, Mesdames L. A. Bagley, S. D. Swaim and J. T. Sharpe.

The committee on apportionment reported as follows: We, the apportionment committee, recommend that this Association take as its moneyed aim for 1913-1914 the sum of $550 to be apportioned as follows:

Foreign missions	$ 275.00
Home missions	140.00
State missions	135.00

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. S. GREEN, For Committee.

Report adopted.

The obituary committee reported the death of Mrs. Fannie Miller, of Lexington W. M. S., and Miss Etta Newsome, of Denton W. M. S., both faithful members.

The literature committee reported eleven dollars subscribed from the following societies for the traveling library: Jersey, $1.00; Holloways, $2.00; Denton, $2.00; Orphanage, $2.00; Lexington, $2.00; Thomasville, $2.00.

State missions was ably discussed by Mrs. Mary Davis.

The importance of mission study classes and how they may be conducted even in a country church was discussed by Mrs. C. M. Howell

Our Heroes' year: 1st. In organization of societies. 2nd. In reaching our standard of excellence. 3rd. In increase of gifts by Mrs. W. H. Elliott.

The value of attending our meetings was discussed in a most helpful manner by Mrs. L. A. Bagley.

The report on home missions was read and discussed by Mrs. U. A. Hedrick.

Foreign missions was discussed by Mrs. C. M. Wall.

The Louisville Training School was discussed by Mrs. Swaim and Mrs. Vann.

The "Jubilate" was fully discussed and the programme, sent out by the Central Committee in Baltimore, was rendered as far as was practical.

After a chain of prayer, in which many joined, "God be with you 'till we meet again," was sung, and the Association adjourned to meet in Lexington in 1914.

MRS. PRESTON S. VANN, President,
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Woman's Work of Liberty Association.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK.

The following report will show the contributions from the different societies during the year.

Denton W. M. S., No. Members 15:	
Foreign missions	$ 7.00
Home missions	17.38
State mission	7.42
Total to missions	$ 31.80
Other objects	28.76
Total contributed	$ 60.56
Holloway's W. M. S., No. Members 26:	
Foreign missions	$ 9.00
Home missions	10.00
State missions	5.00
Total to missions	$ 24.00
Jersey W. M. S., No. Members 21:	
Foreign missions	$ 4.00
Home missions	7.17
State missions	6.03
Total to missions	$ 17.20
Lexington W. M. S., No. Members 36:	
Foreign missions	$ 50.00
Home missions	61.35
State missions	19.30
Total to missions	$ 130.65
Other objects	5.75
Total contributed	$ 136.40
Orphanage W. M. S.:	
Foreign missions	$ 42.19
Home missions	21.54
State missions	23.65
Total to missions	$ 87.58
Stoners Grove W. M. S., No. of Members 14:	
Foreign missions	$ 1.00
Home missions	2.00
State missions	2.00
Total to missions	$ 5.00
Thomasville W. M. S., No. Members 27:	
Foreign missions	$ 36.56
Home missions	38.75
State missions	75.21
Total to missions	$ 150.52

Wallburg W. M. S., No. Members 14:	
Foreign missions	$ 5.55
Home missions	5.70
State missions	20.98
Total to missions	$ 32.23
Other objects	13.00
Total contributed	$ 45.23
Thomasville Y. W. A., No. Members 8:	
Home missions	$ 3.00
State missions	2.70
Total to missions	$ 5.70
Denton Sunbeams, No. Members 10:	
Foreign missions	$ .28
Home missions	.30
State missions	.37
Total to missions	$ .95
Lexington Sunbeams, No. Members 32:	
Foreign missions	$ 5.27
Mome missions	7.93
State missions	7.55
Total to missions	$ 20.75
Reed's Sunbeams, No. Members —:	
Foreign missions	$ .52
Home missions	.45
State missions	3.05
Total to missions	$ 4.02
Thomasville Sunbeams, No. Members 28:	
Foreign missions	$ 1.00
Home missions	1.00
Total to missions	$ 2.00
Wallburg Sunbeams:	
Home missions	$ 3.24
State missions	1.24
Total to missions	$ 4.48
Lexington Royal Ambassadors, Elizabeth N. Briggs Chapter, No. members 11:	
Foreign missions	$ 2.00
Home missions	5.00
Total to missions	$ 7.00
Grand total contributed through the W. M. S., Y. W. A., Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors for the year 1912-'13.	$ 571.39

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Kesler, M. L.....Thomasville, N. C.

Lanning, Jeff.....Denton, N. C.

Martin, G. A.....Thomasville, N. C.

Newton, J. D.....Thomasville, N. C.

Sheets, Henry.....Lexington, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

G. A. Martin, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green, P. S. Vann and P. M. Snider.

PROCEEDINGS

of the

Eighty-first Annual Session of the Liberty Baptist Association

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Holloway's Baptist Church,
September, 8th. 1914.

The Liberty Baptist Association convened with this church today. At 11 o'clock Elder G. A. Martin delivered the introductory sermon: text John 12:26 and Isaiah 53:10-11. After the sermon a recess was taken till 1:30.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The body was called to order by the Moderator. Proceeded to organize. A temperary organization was effected by calling Bro. S. H. Averitt to the chair and in the absence of P. S. Vann, former clerk, Henry Sheets was selected to serve.

The Association having purchased a large chart on which the statistics of the various churches was placed before the body, the reading of the letters was dispensed with. The roll of the churches was then called; names of messengers enrolled were as follows:

Abbott's Creek: C. H. Teague, N. R. Teague, and J. P. Traynham, Jr. Center Hill: A. V. Miller, J. L. Bowers and C. F. Richard. Denton: W. T. Tysinger, Aldert Snider and L. A. Newsom. Gravel Hill: T. H. Davis. Holloway's: D. R. Beanblossom, Grover C. Palmer and W. H. Collins. Huldah: Vester Moore. Jersey: W. C. Roach, D. C. Sharpe and R. J. Tate Lexington: T. I. Warfford and W. S. Anderson. Liberty: A. S. Miller and T. G. Kindley. Lick Creek: By Letter. New Friendship: A. P. Snider. Oak Grove: By Letter, Oak Hill: Orphanage: S. H. Averitt, Dallas Hawkins and John Windle. Pine M. House: Edward Rickard. Reed's: By Letter. Rich Fork: Robert Bowers and G. Y. Everhart. Smith Grove: By Letter. Stoner's Grove: L. C. Lomax, J. H. Warfford and B. F. Roach. Summerville: J. H. C. Thompson, E. I. Snider and E. R. Wall. Taylor's Grove: Not represented. Thomasville: Archibald Johnson, L. W. Hansell, J. F. Clinard and R. S. Green. Wallburg: G. W. Wall, C. M. Wall, and E. E. Jenkins. Walters Grove: C. L. Taylor and Minnie Grubb. Welcome E. J. Zimmerman and C. R. Craver.

The body then went into the election of permanent officers; which resulted as follows: G. A. Martin who was elected as Moderator; R. S. Green, Vice Moderator; Henry Sheets was chosen as Clerk and G. W. Wall, Treasurer.

The following Order of Business was read and adopted.

ORDER OF BUSINESS, LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, SEPT. 8-10th, 1914, HOLLOWAY'S CHURCH

TUESDAY, SEPT. 8th.

11 A. M. Introductory Sermon..... .....Rev. G. A. Martin

AFTERNOON

1:30 to 2:00, Reading Church Letters. Organization:
2:00 to 2:30, Biblical Recorder.
2:30 to 3:00, Minister's Relief.
3:00 to 4:00, Woman's Work.
4:00 to Adjournment, Sunday Schools.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 9th.

9:30 to 10:00' Devotional Exercises.
10:00 to 10:30, Layman's Movement.
10:30 to 11:30, State of the churches.
11:30 to Adjournment, State Missions—Report of Executive Committee.

AFTERNOON

1:30 to 2:30, Education.
2:30 to 3:30, Foreign Missions.
3:30 to Adjournment, Orphanage.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 10th

9:30 to 10:00, Devotional Exercises.
10:00 to 10:30, Miscellaneous Business.
10:30 to 11:30, Home Missions.
11:30 to Adjournment, Appointment of Committees, adoption of resolutions, etc.

For the accommodation of a visiting brother, the report on education was substituted for minister's relief.

Visitors were invited to present themselves; brethren Walter N. Johnson of Wake Forest, in the interest of the new church being erected there, was recognized; R. E. Hoffman of Gold Hill and S. F. Conrad from the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus association were also recognized.

The report on the Biblical Recorder was called for and read by S. H. Averitt.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

Your Committee beg leave to call attention to seven things about the Biblical Recorder.

(1) In aim it endeavors to be true to its name,—that is to be thoroughly Biblical in teaching and to be a faithful recorder of the news of the Kingdom.

(2) In alignment it undertakes to be fraternally but firmly Baptistic, loyal to Baptist doctrine, devoted to Baptist agencies, stimulating the Baptist progress, expressive of Baptist life.

(3) In ownership it is distinctively Baptist property, being now owned by a few more than one hundred North Carolina Baptists who, without anyone having a majority of the stock, hold it not for financial gain, but for the good of the cause and for the glory of God.

(4) In control it is the organ of our Baptist State Convention, this body naming its editor, safeguarding its policy, utilizing its columns, and having report of it every year.

(5) In development it is essential to the highest efficiency of a North Carolina Baptist; for their can be no efficiency without interest, nor Interest without intelligence, nor intelligence without information,—particularly the information about our work which is available week after week in the Biblical Recorder pages.

(6) In accomplishment it is among us the one great unifying agency: Territorially, making neighbors of widely separated churches; organically, relating each reader to the whole our State denominational work; doctrinally, binding us together in our views of Bible truth and duty.

(7) In outlook after nearly four score years of usefulness the Biblical Recorder today, with larger circulation than ever before, with growing work to chronicle and to do, with widening life to present, with an enlarging prospect to beckon onward, rejoices in the hearty endorsement of our leaders and fellow-workers in the Lord.

Believing in view of these things that the Recorder should have a place by every Baptist fireside in North Carolina, we invoke and urge the hearty co-operation of all our people in immediately and greatly extending its circulation.

S. H. Averitt,
Committee.

After a speech by Bro. Averitt the report was adopted.

Bro. Averitt read the report on the Liberty Piedmont Institute which is as follows:

LIBERTY PIEDMONT INSTITUTE

Emerson says, that every great institution is but the lengthened shadow of one man. This school is now adopted by several of the surrounding Associations and thus widening its circle of influence. But it had its beginnings in the untiring and sacrificing efforts of a few men. These men have endeavored to send its influences beyond Wallburg. To them belongs the honor of planting the school and from them grows the ever lengthening shadow.

The work of the school from the beginning has stood well the test when measured by the work of other high schools. Liberty-Piedmont students who have gone to college have not been found wanting in preparation.

Last year was perhaps the best in the school's history financially. We learn that the present session opens well, especially so in a better attendance of local pupils. This is encouraging, for time has been when the local interest and patronage were not what should be expected from a community enjoying such advantages. No denominational high school can long survive the indifference of the community in which it is located.

The threatened business depression, due to the European war, will probably cut off some of the boarding patronage. Other schools are feeling it already.

Our county and Association need a larger vision of the possibilities of such a school in our midst.

We need it for ourselves, to give a higher tone and a better efficiency to the younger members of our churches.

It is needed for this wide territory in which no such school is located. But how can we expect these Associations to become enthusiastic in its support when we do so little?

M. L. Kesler,
for Com.

Speeches on the above able report were submitted by Walter N. Johnson, R. S. Green and S. H. Averitt, after which, the report was laid on the table for the present.

The committee recommended that reports on The Laymen's Movement and Home Missions be read and a joint discussion had as to these reports.

Moved that Woman's Work take the place allotted in the Order of Business to education to-morrow 1:30.

J. M. Hamrick appointed to conduct religious exercises to-morrow morning.

The Moderator appointed the following committees: On place and preacher—A. P. Snider, J. F. Clinard and A. S. Miller.

On Finance; J. G. Lookabill and N. R. Teague.

To nominate Executive Committee: J. M. Hamrick, Jeff Lanning and C. L. Taylor.

Announced that Bro. S. F. Conrad will preach in this house to night.

Adjourned till 9:30 to morrow morning. Benediction by W. C. Smith.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SEPT. 9th

Religious exercises conducted by J. M. Hamrick.

The Moderator called the body to order.

Report on Home Missions read by Bro. Hamrick.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Last year more than 30,000 baptisms were reported by missionaries supported wholly or in part by our Home Mission Board, and more than 56,000 additions to Baptist churches. Matchless as is this record, equally promising for the future, though less adapted to being shown in figures, was the development and efficiency work accomplished through the Mission School and Enlistment activities of the Board.

With such glorious successes achieved, much larger Home Mission tasks are beckoning Southern Baptists today. There never was a time in the South when so much depended, as now depends, upon an alert, consecrated and militant missionary program.

In 1880 the population in the South was 18,000,000. Of the 33,000,000 here today, 22.000,000 make no profession of religion, If we count off 4,

000,000 who, from infancy and other causes, are irresponsible, there are still in the South today a mighty host of unsaved people equal in number to the entire population in 1880!

Evangelistic effort is still more successful in the Southern Baptist Convention territory than in any other part of the country, but it is steadily becoming more difficult in our territory to win people to Christ, or to hold those who have been won to lives of service without a program for training and strengthening the life which has been implanted. This has its cause in the changing conditions of life in our day. Machinery, transportation and intercommunication have largely broken up the old conditions of localism, independence and community spirit. Old habits and ideals are being swept away and even the churches of Christ must adjust themselves to the change and learn how to make spiritual and to direct the new life, or else lose their leadership and power. These changes cry out to us for a heroic and statesmanlike Home Mission program.

Never before in America have there been so many insidious attacks as there are today upon true religion. The attacks propose either a religion of a closed Bible, as Roman Catholics do, or a religion of a mutilated and grossly perverted Bible, as do Christian Science, Russellism and half a dozen other destructive false faiths. The modern false faiths all agree in a deceitful effort to destroy the Lordship and deity of Jesus Christ, while Romanism obscures the worship of Christ by the closed Bible and saint worship.

The South is the last great stronghold and hope of the religion of the open Bible, and both from their peculiar doctrines and their numbers Baptists have the greatest opportunity and obligation to hold this great section for Jesus Christ and make it a center from which shall go out mighty forces of world redemption.

The flagrant attacks upon the deity of Christ challenge every true preacher and every church to gird themselves for great tasks. They mightily challenge us to throw the whole power of our body into a mighty missionary campaign for Christ, in which there shall be much study and teaching of the Word and preaching of the Lordship of Christ and of other Bible doctrines. Home Mission and State Mission churches have been and will continue to be, not only centers of strong denominational spirit and of genuine progress: they have always been and will always be dependable centers of loyalty to the Word of God. To strengthen our Home Mission work is to strengthen the things that tend mightily in a day of gainsayers and wolves in sheeps' clothing to enthrone Christ and crown Him Lord of all.

Through ten separate special Departments the Home Mission Board seeks to further the Kingdom of our Lord in the South. We recommend:

1. That our churches be encouraged to make a larger use of the splendid free Home Mission tracts issued by the Home Board, and to form study classes in the Board's new book, "Baptist Home Missions."

2. That clubs of subscribers be gotten in the churches for The Home Field. It is an exceeedingly distressing and unworthy situation that only one Baptist preacher in five in the South gets this splendid magazine.

3. We recommend that prayer be made in our churches for this great cause and for the saving and holding of the South for our Lord Jesus Christ, and that preachers be requested to preach frequently on Home Mission subjects.

4. That, in order to make effective and definite the obligations of the individual churches to take their full share of Home Mission work, this Association assume $500. 00 as its share of the State apportionment and that the Executive Committee be authorized to apportion this amount fairly among the churches.

J. M. HAMRICK,
Committee.

Discussions were then had on the two subjects: Bro. Hamrick discussed the report and brethren Archibald Johnson and R. S. Green, the Laymen's Movement, after which they were adopted.

The following report was read by Bro. Archibald Johnson.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

It is generally admitted that State Missions is fundamental. It lies at the base of all our enterprises. It strengthens the weak places in our work and steadies the hands of those who are almost overwhelmed by the odds against them. It is the big brother in the family who stands between the little brother and danger.

Here in our own association we have felt the pressure of the strong arm of our State Mission board about us. It ought to be, not the duty, but the joy of all our churches, to line up with our State Mission work, and bear their part in the support of the board. As has been well said by a writer of a report at the Pilot Mountain association, "Any church that does not line up with her sister churches in helping on the State mission work, writes its own obituary."

One hundred and fifty missionaries are at work in the State under the board. These men of God preached more than ten thousand sermons and baptized more than two thousand persons within the past year. Many of these sermons were preached in sections destitute of gospel privileges—some of these persons were won from families hostile to the faith as we hold it. Nor have we seen the end of the labors of these heroes of the cross. The good seed they sowed will bear its blessed fruit through coming years.

Our Baptist host is a mighty army as to numbers but we are painfully lacking in efficiency. Our State board, always alert and intelligent, is addressing itself to the enlistment of the unenlisted, and calling out as far as possible those who have a name to live and are dead.

We would heartily commend this department of the work, and hope it will be vigorously prosecuted through the coming year.

Compact fields, which means better pastoral service and more efficient local organization, will be the hope and claim the effort of our State board through the coming year.

Our churches need to be aroused to their obligation to the State board, and the blessing that will come to them from a deeper interest in and consecration to the work of giving the gospel to every human being in North Carolina.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

Dr. Livingston Johnson made a strong speech on the above report which was then unanimously adopted.

The committee on Place and Preacher offered the following report:

The place for the meeting of next session—Center Hill. Preacher O. A. Keller. Alternate Thomas Carrick.

At this Juncture, the following brethren were formally recognized and invited to seats: Dr. Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of State Mission Board, John M. Stoner of the Buncombe Association and Bro. W. M. Green representing the Biblical Recorder.

Bro. Archibald Johnson read the following

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Our Sunday Schools are coming to be more and more one of the chief factors in our church life; and our people are more generally being enlisted in the ranks of Sunday School workers.

In this association, however, our Sunday School enrollment is not yet equal to our church membership. It ought to be greater, for all the church members ought to be in the Sunday School and many more who are not members of the church.

The organized class, yet in its infancy, is the greatest forward movement that has come to our Sunday School work in a decade. No school is now in the first class without its organized classes.

These classes have been known generally as the Baraca and Philathea classes. But as the Baraca-Philathea movement is independent, and operates under its own charter, our Sunday School Board at Nashville Tenn. recommends that Baptist Sunday Schools organizing these classes adopt the name of Berean for mens classes and Fidelis for classes composed of women. All the literature and equipment for these classes can be furnished by our board, that is necessary in the prosecution of the work.

We would urge our Sunday Schools in this association to follow the suggestions of our own board in this matter, and call our organized classes Berean and Fidelis.

And we would also recommend that the Baraca and Philathea classes now in existence, if they are not permitted to do their work independent of all other authority save that of the church to which they belong, change their name and transfer their allegiance wholly to the church.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

After reading the report, Bro. Johnson spoke to it after which it was adopted.

Bro. S. F. Conrad was given five minutes to present the merits of a new church near Charlotte.

Adjourned for dinner.

Benediction by Livingston Johnson.

AFTERNOON SESSION. 1:30.

Prayer was offered by Bro. W. C. Smith.

Moderator called the body to order.

The committee to nominate the Executive Committee, recommended as follows—G. A. Martin, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green, P. S. Vann and P. M. Snider.

The two reports: Woman's Work and Foreign missions were read by G. A. Martin for the committees. The following is the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board is located in Richmond, Va., and is composed of nineteen local members and eighteen members at large known as State-Vice-Presidents. R. J. Willingham, Gen. Secretary, Wm. H. Smith, Cor. Sec., J. F. Love, Home Sec., T. B. Ray, Foreign Sec., R. R. Gwathmey, Treasurer.

FIELDS

The Broad conducts work in Italy, Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, Japan, China and Africa. On these fields we have 380 churches with 833 missions or outstations with a church membership of 30,000. We have 542 Sunday Schools with 22,000 scholars enrolled and 9,376 students in our day schools 420 of whom, are in theological seminaries and training schools.

FORCES

Scattered over these fields we have a force of 300 missionaries from the home land assisted by 635 native workers. A total of force 935 workers.

SOME RESULTS

This force reported to our Board 5,252 converts baptized last year and indications seem to warrant us in expecting many more than this number this year.

OUR TASK

Our task for the present year embraces: 1. The completion of the "Judson Fund." 2. A more complete enlistment of our church members. Considerably more than half give absolutely nothing to missions now. 3. The developing of the present givers into larger givers. 4. The installing in each church of a system of monthly giving and remitting to our Foreign Board. 5. The task of raising our state apportionment of $55,000. Which amount does not include gifts to the Judson Fund. The Liberty Association is asked to raise $750 of this $55,000

We recommend that this amount be apportioned among the churches of the Association at this session, amount reported to Foreign Missions

from the churches this year as a basis. We recommend also that our pastors be requested to appoint some member in each church who shall be known as agent for The Foreign Mission Journal.

Respectfully submitted,
G. A. Martin, for Com.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The work of a Christian is nothing more nor less than the unseen Master at His old time occupation—"going about doing good." The ruling passion of His redemptive ministry was to do good to a needy world. In giving expression to this passion "He went about" "seeking to save that which was lost," and to train and send out those whom he saved. From the very first women have been his most loyal and efficient servants. While he was tramping the hills of Galilee and Judea they followed him "and ministered to him of their substance." The first European convert to Christianity was the "seller of purple" at Philippi. "Honorable women not afew" gave their hearts to him in Asia-Minor. Their number in our own blessed, peaceful land is legion. May their number increase with the coming years. Their vision is broader than the horizon, and like their Master, to them, world-wide missions is not foreign. His field was a whole lost race and their efforts are girdling the earth with the gospel of light and life. Every phase of our denominational work at home and on the far-flung battle front receives stimulation and inspiration from the impact of our consecrated women. The best part of their work defies tabulation. It cannot be set down in figures.

A few of the things upon which they are laying special stress this year are:

1. A larger prayer life.
2. More accurate information about the needs and possibilities of the mission fields.
3. An enlarged area of personal service. The best methods of doing more effectively the work of saving and conserving the lost.

The enlistment of the unenlisted women of our churches. They should have our heartiest support and fullest co-operation in their efforts.

The women gave to Foreign Missions alone last year $173,864 and to the Judson Centennial Fund $71,662. Total $245,526.

The women and the auxiliary societies of our association collected and disbursed $996. 26 last year (their year has just closed) and are addressing themselves to the task of raising $1,099. 97 this year.

Remarks were submitted on the above reports by G. A. Martin, Henry Sheets and R. S. Green.

At or near the close of the discussion, Bro. Archibald Johnson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, that we as an association advance our contribution to State, Home and Foreign missions 25% over last year's pledges and that we instruct the Executive Committee to make this apportionment among the

churches. This resolution was adopted.

On motion both the above reports were adopted.

Bro. J. M. Cheek read the following report:

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

Because Christ said in those days about which we delight to read, "Suffer the little children to come unto me" and "a little child shall lead them" and because of the purity and possibilities of children there exists in the hearts of all types and classes of men a sacred regard for the welfare of the child when he is brought in earnestness face to face with its needs.

To the representatives of the churches of the Association in whose bounds our orphanage is located it is not necessary that this report be of any great length.

Those who are in position to scan most clearly the horizon of the orphanage's breaking day see upon it's misty crest two words, Duty, Possibilities, in bold relief.

We are confident that those who are directly in charge are praying daily and almost instantly that they may see this Institution rise, backed to the fullest extent by God fearing men and women, equipped for its duty, but wait in reverential awe while God unvails its possibilities.

But while Gods servants pray and sacrifice his work goes on. Lime and sand and muscle put together the material with which the walls of the homes of the once homeless are knit together, and God smiles as he remembers that his servant was inspired to say in part: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this,To visit the fatherless in their affliction." In the morning of our brightest day in orphanage work, opportunity and responsibility are our large words.

The Kennedy Home and the Miles Durham nursery are but tangible evidences of the great broadening of our way. Gods love and promises are behind and above it all and his men and women are going to hear the call of the Larger Orphanage and give evidence of having heard by Dollars, to the sum of the demand, $10,000. more than in the year just past.

Respectfully Submitted,

J, M. CHEEK.

On the above report, remarks were submitted by J. M. Cheek, Archibald Johnson, Henry Sheets and G. A ,Martin after wh.ch, the report was unaniously adopted.

The report on Liberty Institute was taken from the table and spoken to by J. M. Cheek. Adopted.

On motion the association comfirmed the action of the Board in the appointment of J. M. Hamrick to the Board of trustees of Liberty-Piedmont Institute. In the absence of S. H. Averitt, Bro. R. S. Green read the Treasurer's Report, which follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

State Missions	132 69
Home Missions	93 13
Foreign Missions	181 70
Orphanage	174 83
Ministerial Education	75 44
Ministerial Relief	20 52
Sunday School Missions	8 00
Minute Fund	35 46
Total	$721 77

DISBURSEMENTS

State Missions	132 63
Home Missions	63 19
Foreign Missions	181 73
Orphanage	174 80
Ministerial Education	75 44
Ministerial Relief	20 52
Sunday School Missions	8 00
Minute Fund	35 46
Total	$721 77

Adopted without remarks.

Appointed Bro. W, C. Smith to preach tonight, Adjourned till tomorrow morning 9:30.

Benediction by O. A. Keller.

THURSDAY MORNING SEPT. 10th

Scripture reading by Moderator Martin. Prayer by W. M. Green. Bro. R. E. Hoffman read for the committee, the

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF

The Baptist Ministerial Relief Board was established in 1890; the first meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in Wilmington, N. C.

The Board is now located in Durham with J. M. Arnette as Corresponding Secretary. The object of the Board is to afford aid and relief to needy Baptist ministers af North Carolina and their wives.

These beneficiaries receive from forty to two hundred dollars a year. Many of them need more. Some of tfiem have no means of support except the amount they receive from the Board.

It should be the desire and strong effort of every Baptist that not one of these who have been worthy proclaimers of God's word should suffer for the actual necessities of life.

We recommend that this association increase their donation to this worthy object.

Respectfully Submitted,
JEFF LANNING.

After remarks by Bro. Hoffman the above report was adopted.

The report of the Executive committee not being ready—was to be prepared and forwarded.

Bro. J. M. Hamrick, was appointed to assist the Foreign mission Board in this association.

Bro. G. A. Martin was appointed as the association's representative on the work of State missions.

Bro. M. L Kesler, with R. S. Green as alternate, was appointed to represent this association in the Southern Baptist convention.

Delegates to the State Baptist convention were named as follows: P. M. Snider, B. W. Parham and G. Foster Hankins.

R. S. Green offered the following; Resolved, that we, the Liberty Association, tender, our thanks to the members of the Holloway's church and people of the community for their splendid hospitality during the present session of the association. Adopted by a standing vote.

The Moderator appointed the following committees to report next year.

Foreign Missions—M. L. Kesler.
Home Missions—G. A. Martin.
State Missions—J. M. Hamrick.
Orphanage—R. S. Green.
Education—Henry Sheets.
Ministerial Relief—Thos. Carrick.
Women's Work—P. S. Vann.
Sunday Schools—J. F. Fletcher.
Biblical Recorder—O, A. Keller.
Laymen's Movement—G. W. Wall.
Order of Business—Henry Sheets, A. Johnson.
Report of Ex. Com,—Chairman.

By invitation of pastor it was unanimously agreed that the next Union Meeting November 27—29, be held with the church at Thomasville.

The clerk was instructed to have 500 copies of minutes printed.

Thus ended the work of the eighty-first session of the Liberty Baptist Association.

On moion, the body adjourned to meet with Center Hill Church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. 1915.

G. A. Martin, Moderator.

Henry Sheets, Clerk.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

FINANCIAL REPORT

The following is reported from each society in Liberty Association.

Denton W. M. S., number of members 16. President Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, Denton, N. C.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State Missions	$20 25
Home Missions	20 99
Foreign Missions	11 05
Training School	2 00
Other Objects	96 35
Total	$150 64

President Sunbeams, Mrs. K. L. ——————, Denton, N. C., number of members 24.

President R. A., Miss Bert Fletcher, Denton, N. C., Number of members 10.

Jersey W. M. S., number of members 20. President, Amanda Palmer, Linwood, N. C.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State Missions	$5 50
Home Missions	4 79
Foreign Missions	5 60
Training School	6 10
Other Objects	62
Total	$22 61

Lexington W. M. Society. President: Miss Roxie Sheets, Lexington, N. C. Membership 36.

Missions	$ 133 33
Other objects	13 66
Total	143 99

SUNBEAMS

President: ——————Conrad. Membership 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foreign Missions	9 49
Home Missions	3 92
State Missions	8 19
Total	21 60

R. A. President: Paul Hamrick. Members 17.

Contributions—Missions	17 14

L. A. S. Mrs. J. M. Hamrick. Members 35.

Building fund	175 00
Other objects	3 00
Total	178 00

Orphanage W. M. S. Mrs. L. W. Bagley.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State Missions	$	24 05
Home Missions		40 04
Foreign Missions		96 42
Sunday School Board		3 70
Training School		7 49
Other objects		231 06
Total		402 76

Reed's X Roads W. M. S. President: N. L. Craver. Number of Members 13.

Contributions—Margaret Home	$	1 45

President of Sunbeams: Hattie Craver. Number of Members 24.

Holloway's W. M. S. President: Miss Viola Cross, Southmont, N. C. Membership 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State Missions	$	7 00
Home Missions		5 00
Foreign Missions		9 00
Sunday School Board		2 00
Training School		3 00
Total		26 00

Stoner's Grove W. M. S. President: Mrs. O. E. Stoner, Southmont, N. C. Number of Members 14.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State Missions	$	4 30
Home Missions		4 00
Foreign Missions		7 00
Training School		3 45
Total		18 75

Thomasville W. M. S. President: Mrs. R. S. Green, Thomasville, N. C. Number of Members 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State Missions	$	63 86
Home Missions		58 56
Foreign Missions		39 50
Other objects		22 13
Total		184 00

Sunbeams—Mrs. G. A. Martin, Thomasville, N. C. Number of Members 15.

Wallburg W. M. S. President: Mrs. J. M. Cheek, Wallburg, N. C. Number of Members 14.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State Missions	$	13 50
Home Missions		10 96

Foreign Missions	13 45
Total	37 19

Some thoughts and suggestions in regard to woman's work in Liberty Association.

Only 9 of the 25 churches have Woman's Missionary Societies.

Lexington has the largest enrollment, 36. (The Orphanage did not report membership.)

The Orphanage W. M. S reported the largest contribution, $402.76.

The Thomasville W. M. Society contributed almost $6.14 per member.

There are 168 women and girls enrolled in the societies of this Association.

Is there one of these feeling regretful for the work they have done?

How many of the other churches will report organization next year?

If there is a church that does not report a society next year, whose fault will it be?

SUGGESTED AMOUNTS TO BE CONTRIBUTED FOR 1914-1916

On motion it was agreed to try to make an advance of 25 per cent on the pledges for 1913.

CHURCHES	STATE MISSIONS	HOME MISSIONS	FOREIGN MISSIONS	S. S. MISSIONS	ORPHANAGE	MINISTERIAL EDUCATION	MINISTERIAL RELIEF	TOTAL
Abbott's Creek	$20 62	$ 7 50	$17 50	6 25	31 25	6 25	5 62	94 99
Center Hill	13 75	4 37	11 87	2 75	8 75	3 12	4 37	48 98
Denton	15 00	7 50	15 00	2 75	23 75	5 62	4 37	73 99
Gravel Hill	11 25	6 87	10 62	1 37	12 50	2 50	2 50	47 61
Holloway's	27 50	10 00	31 25	2 75	25 00	6 87	6 87	110 24
Huldah	3 12	3 12	3 75	1 20	3 75	1 25	1 25	17 44
Jersey	34 37	13 75	33 75	4 12	31 25	11 25	8 10	136 59
Lexington	125 00	50 00	93 75	15 00	62 50	13 75	13 75	373 75
Liberty	7 25	7 50	16 25	1 37	13 75	3 12	3 12	52 36
Lick Creek	13 75	8 75	27 50	2 75	31 25	5 00	5 00	94 00
New Friendship	21 87	8 75	16 25	3 43	25 00	5 00	4 37	84 67
Oak Grove	6 25	2 50	2 50	1 25	6 25	1 25	1 25	21 25
Oak Hill	12 50	6 87	6 87	1 25	7 50	2 50	2 50	39 99
Orphanage	93 75	50 00	96 25	6 87	125 00	33 75	13 75	419 27
Pine M. House	34 37	15 00	36 25	2 75	37 25	6 87	6 87	139 36
Reed's X Roads	20 62	12 50	27 50	2 75	25 00	7 50	7 50	103 37
Rich Fork	18 75	11 25	16 25	2 75	22 50	5 62	4 37	81 49
Smith Grove	7 50	3 75	4 37	1 37	25 00	3 75	2 50	48 25
Stoner's Grove	18 75	11 25	20 00	2 75	31 25	6 25	6 87	97 12
Summerville	3 75	1 87	3 75	1 25	5 00	2 18	1 87	19 67
Taylor's Grove	3 75	1 87	3 12	68	6 25	1 87	1 87	19 41
Thomasville	96 87	56 25	100 00	15 00	75 00	15 00	11 25	369 37
Wallburg	87 50	43 75	81 25	6 87	75 00	11 25	10 62	316 24
Walter's Grove	3 75	2 50	3 75	1 25	6 25	1 25	1 25	20 00
Welcome	3 12	3 75	6 87	1 25	6 25	1 25	1 25	23 74

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			Number of Males	No. of Females	Total Membership
					By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Abbott's Creek	Thomas Carrick, High Point	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	3rd.	1000	4	.....	1	4	2	2	61	107	168
Center Hill	Henry Sheets, Lexington	A. A. Yarborough, Lexington	1st.	2000	6	1	.....	1	.....	.....	38	68	106
Denton	J. F. Fletcher, Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton	2nd, 4th	2500	1	2	1	9	2	3	71	81	152
Gravel Hill	W. C. Smith, High Point	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	2nd.	.....	1	.....	2	.....	2	1	21	25	46
Holloway's	Henry Sheets, Lexington	Berry R. Cross, High Rock	2nd	1000	10	.....	.....	2	2	2	76	122	198
Huldah	W. C. Smith, High Point	Vester Moore, Seagrove	.....	500	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	36	64
Jersey	Henry Sheets, Lexington	L. A. Smith, Linwood	3rd.	3500	.....	2	1	7	.....	.....	67	97	165
Lexington	J. M. Hamrick, Lexington	P. V. Critcher, Lexington	Every	40,000	16	15	.....	7	1	2	130	190	320
Liberty	Jeff Lanning, Denton	H. P. May, Hannersville	4th.	1000	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	69	116	185
Lick Creek	Thomas Carrick, High Point	P. M. Snyder, High Rock	4th.	1500	.....	.....	.....	3	1	2	53	71	124
New Friendship	O. A. Keller, Wallburg	B. F. Charles, Winston-Salem	1st.	3000	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	48	81	129
Oak Grove	O. A. Keller, Wallburg	Ben Johnson, Winston-Salem	4th.	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	5	8
Oak Hill	G. A. Martin, Thomasville	M. F. Underwood, Trinity	1st.	550	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	16	34
Orphanage	G. A. Martin, Thomasville	C. M. Howell, Thomasville	.....	.....	55	2	.....	22	.....	.....	91	191	282
Pine M. House	Junio Carter, Linwood	Edwin Rickard, Linwood	4th	1000	15	2	.....	7	1	2	73	91	164
Reed's X Roads	J. M. Hamrick, Lexington	D. C. Craver, Lexington	1st.	3000	8	2	.....	2	.....	.....	66	84	150
Rich Fork	G. A. Martin, Thomasville	T. H. Small, Thomasville	4th.	1800	7	.....	6	.....	1	3	51	95	146
Smith Grove	No Pastor	A. A. Young, Jubilee	4th.	1560	2	3	.....	6	.....	.....	41	50	91
Stoner's Grove	J. F. Fletcher, Denton	J. D. Lookabill, Southmont	1st, 3rd	.....	22	1	.....	5	.....	1	48	43	91
Summerville	C. E. Crissman, High Point	J. H. C. Thompson, Denton	1st.	700	10	.....	.....	1	3	1	48	95	143
Taylor's Grove	No Report	Last Year's Statistics	2nd.	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	11	15
Thomasville	G. A. Martin, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Every	25,000	9	21	1	14	.....	1	81	126	207
Wallburg	O. A. Keller, Wallburg	.....	2nd, 4th	.....	6	8	.....	6	.....	1	65	79	144
Walter's Grove	C. L. Taylor, Denton	J. T. Pierce, Cid	4th.	300	7	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Welcome	O. A. Keller, Wallburg	C. S. Hayne, Welcome	1st.	3000	11	4	.....	1	.....	.....	24	19	43
Total			.....	148,0 0	194	72	12	99	17	22	1306	1937	3243

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS' SALARY	BUILDING AND REPAIRS	INCIDENTALS	S. S. EXPENSES	THE POOR	MINUTE FUND	STATE MISSIONS	HOME MISSIONS	FOREIGN MISSIONS	S. S. MISSIONS	ORPHANAGE	MINISTERIAL EDUCATION	MINISTERIAL RELIEF	COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS	Other Objects	TOTAL
Abbott's Creek	$ 150 00	$.....	$ 5 00	$40 00	$.....	$ 1 65	$16 50	$ 6 00	$14 00	$ 5 00	$45 00	$ 5 00	$ 4 50	$.....	$26 00	$ 318 65
Center Hill	100 00	.....	50	9 20	.....	1 30	11 00	3 50	9 50	.....	7 50	2 50	3 50	.....	131 00	279 50
Denton	253 20	.....	20 00	86 00	.....	1 50	35 52	30 99	23 05	4 86	30 69	3 01	4 00	11 05	224 00	727 87
Gravel Hill	75 00	15 00	.....	10 00	.....	1 05	4 71	3 00	7 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	59 57	182 33
Holloway's	150 00	30 00	1 25	8 35	.....	2 00	22 00	8 00	25 00	2 00	20 00	5 50	9 15	.....	31 00	314 25
Huldah	85 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	4 35	2 53	2 62	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	98 00
Jersey	175 00	.....	10 00	8 25	.....	2 00	27 00	11 00	27 00	3 30	25 00	9 00	8 00	.....	63 04	368 59
Lexington	1200 00	3000 00	125 00	120 00	25 80	3 00	63 90	69 63	91 79	.....	43 20	.....	.....	.....	23 63	4762 95
Liberty	75 00	7 35	13 70	3 00	.....	2 50	6 50	6 00	13 00	1 00	11 00	2 50	2 50	.....	.....	144 05
Lick Creek	170 00	.....	24 00	7 20	.....	65	7 27	3 36	10 74	2 20	11 13	1 80	1 80	.....	.....	239 50
New Friendship	200 00	.....	.....	9 48	.....	2 00	19 25	7 70	14 30	2 75	22 00	4 40	3 50	.....	.....	285 38
Oak Grove	25 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	1 00	5 00	4 00	2 00	.....	11 35	.....	1 00	.....	.....	53 35
Oak Hill	50 00	43 00	.....	2 00	.....	50	4 00	2 00	2 10	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	104 60
Orphanage	225 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	88 94	86 88	157 82	6 00	142 50	58 34	18 52	114 83	188 91	1087 74
Pine M. House	150 00	.....	21 20	22 70	.....	2 20	21 00	9 00	19 67	.....	31 65	5 50	5 50	.....	.....	288 42
Reed's X Roads	120 00	.....	22 00	20 00	.....	1 15	10 20	10 00	20 00	2 00	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	226 35
Rich Fork	125 00	.....	110 00	21 00	15 00	1 50	15 00	9 00	13 00	2 20	13 00	4 50	3 50	.....	.....	332 70
Smith Grove	100 00	160 00	13 75	3 00	.....	.....	1 50	1 00	1 50	.....	1 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	282 45
Stoner's Grove	225 00	.....	43 13	28 00	.....	2 20	28 34	18 00	33 20	5 80	31 70	5 75	7 00	10 00	54 02	492 14
Summerville	65 00	781 35	.....	.....	.....	1 25	3 00	1 50	3 00	1 00	4 00	1 75	1 50	.....	.....	863 35
Taylor's Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville	500 00	2701 64	201 72	136 39	.....	4 00	104 68	77 83	80 00	7 59	60 00	11 00	9 00	68 93	.....	3948 78
Wallburg	265 00	.....	15 00	50 94	.....	3 00	71 50	35 00	65 00	10 00	.....	9 00	8 50	.....	41 50	574 44
Walter's Grove	35 00	200 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	3 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	255 00
Welcome	65 00	50	.....	12 00	.....	1 00	10 00	3 00	2 50	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	102 00
Total	4533 20	6895 85	626 25	599 51	40 80	40 45	580 16	407 92	640 79	57 70	552 92	131 55	93 47	248 81	842 67	16,342 39

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES.	SECRETARIES AND POSTOFFICES	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open.	Baptisms from School.	School Expenses.	Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions.
Abbott's Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	Walter Craver, High Point	1	6	76	82	.....	12	4	$40 00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$40 00
Center Hill	J. L Bowers, Lexington	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	1	8	79	87	45	10	3	9 20	.....	.....	.....	9 20
Denton	Albert Snider, Denton	Cora Anderson, Denton	1	7	121	128	50	12	1	86 00	.....	.....	.....	86 00
Gravel Hill	W. D, Loflin, Riley's Store	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	1	7	98	105	.....	12	1	10 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, High Roek	D. R. Beanblossom, High Roek	1	6	75	81	50	12	10	6 35	2 00	.....	.....	8 35
Huldah	R. G. King, Seagrove	Freida King, Seagrove	1	4	20	24	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	J. N. Penninger, Linwood	1	8	55	63	.....	12	.....	8 25	.....	4 94	.....	13 19
Lexington	G. W. Miller, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	1	19	330	349	.....	12	16	120 00	25 00	30 00	10 00	185 00
Liberty	S. H. Kindley, Thomasville	E. L. Hepler, Hannersville	1	6	74	80	50	6	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Lick Creek	J. L. Snider, High Roek	V. K. Skeen, High Roek	1	8	50	58	42	6	.....	7 00	2 20	.....	.....	9 20
New Friendship	Elmer Snider, Winston-Salem	Charles Wilson, Winston-Salem	1	6	80	86	24	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oak Grove	Ben Johnson, Winston-Salem	Clara Tueker, Winston-Salem	1	5	40	45	7	12	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oak Hill	M. F. Underwood, Trinity	Claris Welborne, Thomasville	1	3	30	33	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Orphanage	S. H. Averitt, Thomasville	Julian Harrell, Thomasville	1	18	440	458	.....	12	55	.....	80 99	9 45	54 43	144 87
Pine M. House	R. K. Williams, Linwood	Carrie Barnes, Linwood	1	8	130	138	65	12	6	22 70	.....	.....	.....	22 70
Reed's X Roads	Arlie Myers, Lexington	A. B. Craver, Lexington	1	9	123	132	48	12	7	20 00	2 00	.....	.....	22 00
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Jacob Kanoy, Thomasville	1	7	150	157	50	9	.....	12 00	2 20	6 00	3 00	23 20
Smith Grove	A. A. Young, Jubilee	A. C. Noah, Jubilee	1	8	91	99	57	12	2	3 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Stoner's Grove	S. E. Warfford, Linwood	O. E Stoner, Southmont	1	8	75	83	45	12	21	28 00	4 90	21 27	28 00	92 17
Summerville	No statistics reported													
Taylor's Grove	No report	Report last year's statistics	1	5	40	45	10	6	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	2 50
Thomasville	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	A. Z. Boles, Thomasville	2	10	304	314	84	12	5	126 39	7 59	35 57	16 00	185 55
Wallburg														
Walter's Grove	R, W. Prevost, Cid	May Varner, Cid	1	5	63	68	12	12	.....	4 00	3 00	5 00	.....	12 00
Welcome	W. S. Disher, Lexington	Curtis R. Craver, Welcome	1	8	104	112	76	12	9	12 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	19 00
Total				176	2618	2794	615	.....	141	514 55	130 88	117 23	112 43	890 93

MINUTES

OF THE

EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Liberty Baptist Association

HELD WITH

CENTER HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

September 7th, 8th and 9th, 1915.

OFFICERS OF THE BODY

Moderator—O. A. Keller.....Wallburg, N. C.
Vice-Moderator—R. S. Green.....Thomasville, N. C.
Clerk—Henry Sheets.....Lexington, N. C.
Treasurer—G. W. Wall.....Wallburg, N. C.

Place, time and preacher for next session; Place—Walburg ten miles north of Thomasville. Time—Tuesday after first Sunday in September, 1916. Preacher—I. M. Mercer, Alternate, C. M. Smith.

List of Ordained Ministers in Liberty Association

September, 1915.

Fletcher, J. F.	Denton, N. C.
Hamrick, J. M.	Lexington, N. C.
Keller, O. A.	Wallburg, N. C.
Kesler, M. L.	Thomasville, N. C.
Lanning, Jeff.	Denton, N. C.
Mercer, I. M.	Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D.	Thomasville, N. C.
Sheets, Henry	Lexington, N. C.
Taylor, C. E.	Denton, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

M. L. Kesler	Thomasville, N. C.
C. M. Wall	Wallburg, N. C.
R. S. Green	Thomasville, N. C.
J. M. Hamrick	Lexington, N. C.
P. M. Snider	R. F. D., Silver Hill, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

of the

Eighty-second Session of the Liberty Baptist Association

Center Hill Baptist Church.
September 7, 1915

This body met today in annual session with this church.

At 11 o'clock, Elder O. A. Keller preached the annual sermon from Mark 13:8, "She hath done what she could." A recess of one hour was taken for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Vice-Moderator Green in the chair. The body proceeded to organize, by calling the roll of the churches and enrolling the names of messengers as follows: Abbott's Creek: C. H. Teague and N. R. Teague. Center Hill: A. V. Miller, J. F. Smith and Hugh Miller. Denton: W. F. Tysinger, J. F. Fletcher and J. R. Newsom. Gravel Hill: W. D. Loflin. Holloway's: Grover C. Palmer, Berry R. Cross and W. D. Star. Huldah: Vester Moore and Samuel Graves. Jersey: W. F. Miller and L. A. Smith. Lexington: J. M. Hamrick and A. E. Sheets. Liberty: Lola Miller and E. S. Copple. Lick Creek: P. M. Snider. New Friendship: A. P. Snider. Oak Grove: By Letter. Oak Hill; Not represented. Orphanage: M. L. Kesler, Max Dennis, Jesse Farrell. Pine M. House: Adam Darr, William H. Hellard and Edwin Pickard. Reeds X Roads: J. N. Myers and W. B. Hunt. Rich Fork: A. S Everhart and Adrian Newsom. Smith Grove: L. T. Yarborough, W. Henry Lomax and J. B. Brewer and T. F. Simerson. Stoner's Grove: B. F. Roach and Cicero Lomax. Summerville: J. H. C. Thompson and Edna Bean. Taylor's Grove: Not represented. Thomasville: W. H. Elliott, L. W. Hansel and L. E. Teague. Wallburg: W. F. Cheek, E. E. Jenkins, C. M. Wall and G. W. Wall. Walter's Grove: By Letter. Welcome: C. R. Craver. After enrollment proceeded to elect officers:

O. A. Keller was elected Moderator. Henry Sheets was re-elected Clerk and G. W. Wall re-elected Treasurer. The Moderator on taking his seat expressed his thanks to the brethren.

Visitors were invited to seats. Elder C. A Upchurch, Enlistment Secretary, Dr. Hight C. Moore, Editor Biblical Recorder; Elder James I. Kendrick in the interest of the Wake Forest church and Elder R. E. Hoffman of the Stanley Association and John M. Stoner of the Buncombe invited by the Moderator to seats.

Dr. I. M. Mercer of Thomasville and J. F. Carter were recognized as new pastors in our body. Bro. W. F. Cheek connected with the Piedmont-Liberty Institute was recognized on this his first visit.

It was ordered that Foreign missions have the hour from 2:30 to 3:00. The chair announced the following committees:

To name the Executive Committee of this association, M. L. Kesler A. P. Snider and W. B. Hunt.

On place and preacher for next session: J. M, Hamrick, B. R. Cross and L. A. Smith.

O. A. Keller read the Report on the Biblical Recorder.

REPORT ON THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder, the organ of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, endeavors to be thoroughly biblical in teaching and to faithfully record the news of the Kingdom. While it is not as outspoken on our distinctive doctrines as some would have it to be yet its teaching along this line has the genuine ring.

As a general workers magazine it is excelled by none and equaled by few. To those who desire to keep in touch with kingdom things in our State it is indispensable.

Intelligence and interest come from information. It follows, therefore, that the weekly messages of the Biblical Recorder are very essential to the highest efficiency of every North Carolina Baptist.

The Devotional spirit in its message is very prominent: the literary style is the best; the price is within the reach of all, only $1.50 a year or about three cents a week: it should therefore have a prominent place in every Baptist home.

We recommend that each church in our association set apart one Sunday known as Baptist Literature Sunday when the pastor or some one qualified to do so shall lay the claims of the Recorder and our Baptist literature in general before the people.

O. A. KELLER.

Bro. Keller yielded the floor to the editor, Dr. Hight C. Moore. He was followed by Dr. I. M. Mercer, J. M. Hamrick and C. A. Upchurch, After which the report was adopted.

The discussion was followed by the report on Foreign Missions, read by M. L. Kesler.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The gospel of Jesus Christ is the need of all the world. We are commanded to supply this need with no corner of the world left out. "No missionary program is complete until it includes the whole world." Our convention so far has undertaken work only in the following countries:

1. Papal—Argentina, Brazil, Italy and Mexico.
2. Pagan—Africa, China and Japan.

In papal lands the gospel is known in a measure, but in a corrupted form. Darkest heathendom is not more bound by superstition than these Catholic lands.

In pagan countries the millions have never heard the gospel. The vastness of the task and the smallness of the force, should be a matter

for our serious concern. There are in round numbers 300 missionaries and over 600 native workers; about 400 churches with a membership of 33,000, who contributed last year $144,000. They had over five thousand baptisms last year We have 339 schools with an enrollment of about nine thousand pupils. We have 13 medical missionaries working in eight hospitals. They treated last year about 57,000 patients. Southern Baptists raised last year $537,000 and have a debt of over $99,000. More than half of this however was carried over from the previous year.

But after all is reported, we have scarcely touched the need of the world.

The present disturbed condition of the warring nations may hinder for a time, the missionary on the far flung battle line. But even this horrible war must pass. If the Christian world is wise it will be mobilizing the forces for the march over into the greatest opportunity the world has known since the c mmission was given to men.

Out of this titantic struggle there must emerge a broader liberty, a nearer approach to world wide democracy. Then will be the high noon of missionary opportunity.

Now let every church in the Liberty Association be put in training for this blessed task. It must be done by the pastors and the workers in the Woman's Missionary societies. There must be an enlistment of all the forces. The question of enlistment resolves itself into the question of systematic giving. As the real and final test of statesmanship, is in the working out of a just and equitable method of taxation, one that rests evenly on all alike; so the real test of the pastor leader is in his enlisting his members in the support of the great objects of the kingdom It means that each man woman and child shall give as the Lord has prospered him, and do it systematically. It means that each one of these shall love the Lord and then go on to have an intelligent interest in the work of the wide spreading kingdom of God.

Here is work for the wisest and strongest leadership known among men.

M. L. KESLER For Com.

Rev. J. F. Fletcher read the following:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday school has been called "the church studying God's word." It is called the teaching service of the church and one of the church's most important departments. In the absence of the Christian school, and with proper home training denied so many boys and girls, the Sunday school becomes the only hope of a great many of the young people of a community.

Our people do not fully appreciate the great opportunity for soul-saving and spiritual devclopment offered by the Sunday school. There are today in North Carolina 166,000 church members who are not members of any Sunday school and those of us who have been engaged in Sunday school work actively, know that it is hard to enlist all of the church membership in the Sunday school. It is one of the hardest

Our schools are growing in attendance and in influence. They are also learning to give and give generously to the various boards and institutions of the Convention. Especially strong with the Sunday schools of the state, is the appeal of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville.

Last year the Sunday schools gave to all Convention objects nearly $40,000 besides paying their own running expenses and contributing generously to local charities.

There is room for improvement in the organization and management of our Sunday schools and all of us should strive to promote efficiency in organization, in teaching force, in giving and in all departments of work. We should have the very best equipment possible with the means at hand. There should be a training class for teachers, conducted by the superintendent, pastor or other person well versed in the work, organized class work should be encouraged and constant interest shown in every boy and girl in the Sunday school. Strive always to secure teachers who are interested as much in soul-winning as in teaching the lssson in a striking manner and when you have done this the Sunday school will become a real force for righteousness.

Bro. Fletcher yielded the floor and Dr. Hight C. Moore was called out and made an excellent address. After further remarks by R. S. Green, the motion to adopt was carried.

Elder James I. Kendrick was recognized by the chair, who on invitation, submitted some remarks in regard to Wake Forest church. Thus closed the first day's session.

On motion adjourned till 9:30 tomorrow morning. Benediction by J. M. Hamrick.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 8th

Devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. Mercer.

At 10 o'clock, Moderator Keller in the chair, Dr. R. T. Vann being present was called upon to present himself before the body. He was present to discuss the importance of correlation of our Baptist schools and Christian education.

problems that the average pastor and Sunday school worker has to face and we are yet a long way from a solution of it. Our Sunday schools will never reach their highest efficiency until we can say that every member of the church is a member of the Sunday school.

The only way to get these indifferent church members into the Sunday school is to go after them. Each case will require careful, tactful treatment. A method that will work with one will not work with another. If some of these 166,000 unenlisted church members are in your church, do not rest until you get them into the Sunday school and happily at work.

It is gratifying to note that under the efficient leadership of our Sunday school secretary, Mr. E. L. Middleton, fine progress is being made in North Carolina. In 1913 there were 1934 Sunday schools and in 1914,

2, 052, a gain of 118. Up to date this year, 60 new Sunday schools have been organized.

Bro. Kendrick was invited to speak on the payment of the church debt on Wake Forest new meeting house. It was made known that this association lacks $138.02 of having the amount apportioned it paid up.

On motion of J. M. Hamrick, this amount was apportioned, the Executive committee being asked to make the apportionment. Being a minority of said committee, it was apportioned by R. S. Green, he being solicited to do this work.

The amounts apportioned each church follows: Lexington $25.00; Rich Fork $5.00; Reed's $10.00; Wallburg $10.00; New Friendship $10.00; Jersey $15.00; Holloway's $10.00; Gravel Hill $2.50; Abbott's Creek $9.00; Liberty $5.00; Pine M. House $10.00; Smith Grove $5.00; Lick Creek $10; Center Hill $5.00; Denton $10 00; Stoner's Grove $5.00; Thomasville $5.00.

It was remarked that the reason that some of the churches were given no more to raise, in the above list was, that they had contributed quite largely before, probably having done their part then.

On motion, Christian education was ably discussed by Dr. Vann. The report on same follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The importance of Christian education can scarcely be overestimated. Baptists need to learn that the future life of their children may in large measure, be affected by the religious or non-religious environment of their school life. If the atmosphere of any school is godless, then danger lurks to do its deadly work, but if on the other hand the school is pervaded by a holy, religious fervor, then, probably the whole life of such student may be given to the upbuilding of God's kingdom in the world. We cannot afford to disregard or overlook such important matters.

Many are moved to patronize schools other than their own: first because of the nearness to these schools, or to save money in sending away from home.

Baptist schools are as good as the best and the best are none too good for our children.

The writer remembers that years ago a good Baptist family patronized a college other than Baptist. In a few months these children were standing for some of the peculiar views of that denomination. They had not been taught these things, but had seen and heard them.

A prominent Baptist minister, some twenty-five years ago or more, put his daughter in a leading school, at that time, because it was near him. It was not a great while before he felt it to be his duty to remove that child. He went to the lady teacher and told her that he had decided that his duty to his daughter demanded that he remove her from the school, that she was imbibing views that were not Baptistic; that he wanted her to be a Baptist. This teacher protested that she had never said one word to her about her church views. "I know that

you have not" said the minister, "but you are so nice and kind to her that she thinks everything you think and believe religiously is right." Some students have attended schools that on their return, they had a positive dislike of the old faith of father and mother. We cannot be too careful as to the schools we patronize.

A little prior to the war between the states, a Baptist family—and they had been Baptists from away back—moved on to a big farm in one of the cotton states to oversee the hands on that farm—as there were few white people living near. School facilities were meagre. The only school near by was a Roman Catholic, and rather than send the two beautiful girls away from home with attendent expenses, they were placed in the Catholic school. It was not a great while till it was discovered, with alarm, that these girls were imbibing the views and ways of that sect of people. And when they would remove them, it required, almost physical force to tear them away from that school. And they both declared that at the age of maturity they would become "nuns." The old grandmother was almost broken hearted. But it was too late. The deadly miasma of that school had gotten in its fearful work. All this to save a few dollars.

Let Baptists of North Carolina and of the Liberty Association stand together in support of their schools.

Less than this might bring regret in the years to come.

HENRY SHEETS.

Bro. Archibald Johnson offered the following:

Resolved, That the Liberty Association adopt the recommendation of the Baptist State Convention with regard to our educational work, and that we undertake to raise $250.00 next year for this work. The apportionment was made as follows: Abbott's Creek $20 00; Center Hill $4.00; Denton $15.00; Gravel Hill $2 00; Holloway's $10.00; Huldah $1.50; Jersey $13.00; Lexington $25 00; Liberty $5.00; Lick Creek $6.00; New Friendship $10.00; Oak Grove $3.00; Oak Hill $1 00; Orphanage $25.00; Pine M. House $15.00; Reeds X Roads $7.00; Rich Fork $5.00; Smith Grove $1.00; Stoner's Grove $15.00; Summerville $1.50; Taylor's Grove $2.00; Thomasville $20.00; Wallburg $25.00; Walter's Grove $1.00; Welcome $2.50.

Bro. A. S. Leonard, father of our missionary in China, was recognized and invited to a seat in the body.

Pastor J. M. Hamrick read the following.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

State Missions irrigates the arid plains, and makes them bring forth abundant harvest: organizes churches, Sunday schools, Woman's Missionary Societies, and other agencies which maintain our principles and develop our people for service.

State Missions renders valuable aid to weak and struggling churches in securing suitable houses of worship, properly located and aids in the support of regular preaching until the congregation is so developed and enlisted that it is able to become self supporting and independent.

Only men of broadest vision can take in the far off and the near by fields at one glance· Yonder are the heathen, on the field of the Foreign Board, and nearer by, the destitute and lost, on the field of the Home Board; and nearer still, till about our feet in our own state we see the field of the State Board, to be Christianized, organized into churches, and trained and enlisted for service. But the foreign field can be reached only by the way of the home field, and the home field can be reached only by the way of the state field. The work must begin in Judea and be pushed outward to the uttermost parts of the world. Thus we see that State Missions is the base of all our Mission Work. If we fail to do State Mission work, we shall have neither the men or the money with which to prosecute the work on the Home and Foreign field. Our mission work is like a building of three stories, the top story, the largest of the three, representing the Foreign Mission Board; the second story, the next largest, representing the Home Mission Board, while the smallest story, on the ground floor is the State Mission Board. A strange looking house indeed! It is a wonder it does not topple over. This house should be reversed so that the largest story would be at the base and represent State Missions. Our most intense our largest endeavor, should go into State Missions thus laying deep and broad and strong the foundation of all our Mission Work, and enterprises.

The last report of the State Board shows the most glorious year of achievement in the long and successful history of the Board, and our State Mission work is steadily growing. Thousands are being converted, hundreds of churches have been established, and the membership is being trained and enlisted in the glorious service of the Master. Last year 155 missionaries labored in 42 different Associations and 2,137 persons were baptized, and 1,509 were received by letter into our churches on the field.

We urge our churches to increase their contribution by at least 25% the coming year.

We heartily commend to our churches the enlistment work being done by the board, as efficiency is the word and enlistment is the work of the present hour in all of our churches.

J. M. Hamrick.

Immediately following this Bro. Archibald Johnson read the report of the Executive Committee, which follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We have aided during the year the following points:

Denton field, Rev. J. F. Fletcher, pastor. This field includes Southmont and Stoner's Grove churches. The Wallburg field, including Wallburg and Welcome Rev. O A. Keller pastor. The Thomasville field including the Amazon Chapel Rev. I. M. Mercer, D D pastor. Gravel Hill Rev. Chas Smith pastor. Walter's Grove Rev. C. L. Taylor pastor.

It is probable that aid at these places will be needed for another year. The progress of the past year has been slow but sure and hopeful.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ex. Committee.

These reports were spoken to by Bro. C. A. Upchurch in an inspiring speech, along the line of enlistment: he was followed by R. S. Green in a speech as relates to the work of the Executive Committee. The reports were then unanimously adopted.

Reports (verbal) from the missionaries doing work within our bounds, were then made by J. F. Fletcher, O. A. Keller, C. L. Taylor, W. C. Smith, Dr. I. M. Mercer, followed by one or two of the pastors as to their work. Benediction by R. E Hoffman

AFTERNOON SESSION—WEDNESDAY

Prayer by Elder T. H. Matthews. On motion of Bro Hamrick it was agreed to discuss these three subjects this evening: Home Missions, Orphanage and Liberty-Piedmont Institute.

Bro. R. S. Green read the

ORPHANAGE REPORT

Our Orphanage is the keystone in the arch of Christian service. If this stone is properly placed all the others in the arch will hold firm; if it is improperly placed the whole structure is in danger.

Love for the Orphanage among our brethren is intense but not universal The great need is to lay upon the heart of every church and Sunday school the Orphanage obligation. If this consummation is ever reached the problem for ample support for the institution will be solved.

Owing to the large advance that has been made within the past year the Orphanage is heavily in debt. This brings the unpleasant necessity of making a large outlay for interest on borrowed money, which goes to banks instead of to the children. This ought not so to be. We are abundantly able to pay every dollar the institution owes this year, and if able, we ought to be willing.

It is proposed to our people that the income of one day be sacredly set aside, at or near Thanksgiving day, and devoted to the Orphanage. If this would seize the hearts of our people, and every man, woman and child would enter heartily into this loving service, every dollar of debt would be wiped out, and the instituion would be free from the bondage that now hampers its work and curtails its usefulness.

We earnestly urge every member of the churches of this association to join this "work day" movement and give the proceeds of one day's labor or income to the Orphanage. We may do more but we should not do less.

Every Sunday school ought to set aside one Sunday in each month as Orphanage day and give the members an opportunity to make a contribution to the Orphanage. Only a little over one third of our Baptist Sunday schools are enrolled among this loyal band of monthly givers.

Every Sunday school ought to take a club of Charity & Children and an individual copy for pastors and homes that are not represented in the Sunday school. The paper is the right arm of the institution, and aside, from the information and inspiration it furnishes, produces a good dividend for the support of the Orphanage.

During its thirty years of continued growth the institution has sheltered and trained over 1600 boys and girls, who are now out in the state as teachers, preachers, doctors, printers, farmers, business men and fathers and mothers of happy homes. There are 9 in various colleges and about a dozen in the denominational high schools. The present number is 500—450 at Thomasville, 50 at Kennedy Home—with an average cost of $113.28 per child or 31 cents the day aggregating an annual cost of $56,640.00.

Our Orphanage has been enlarged and still the task looms before us as just begun. We urge every member of this association that they regard the Orphanage in larger terms as an opportunity unparallelled. This waiting door stands too wide for "same as last year" contributions to ever satisfy any working body of Baptists.

We recommend:

1. A liberal Thanksgiving offering emphasizing the importance of "Work Day," giving not less than one day's labor or income to the Orphanage.

2. That every Sunday school will sacredly set apart the collection of one Sunday in each month for the support of the Orphanage.

3. That every Sunday school take a club of Charity and Children.

ROBT. S. GREEN.

Brethren Green, Mercer and Johnson spoke to the report, after which it was adopted.

Following this Dr. Mercer read the report on Home missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The activities of our Home Mission Board have so multiplied in recent years that there are now eleven distinct departments of the work. Let us look at these briefly, and also review their records for the past year.

1. Co-operative state work. From the very beginning of its career seventy years ago the Board has done a large amount of its work in co-operation with the State Mission Boards of the various states.

That is, in partnership with these State Boards the Home Board has assisted in the support of State Missionaries. This method of service is still continued, and in the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. The report of these missionaries for the past convention year is as follows; churches and stations supplied, 3089; baptisms, 21,513; received by letter and otherwise, 19,513; total additions to the churches, 41,310; churches, 216; houses of worship built and improved, 171; Sunday Schools organized, 630. These figures are exceedingly gratifying and surpass the record of the past year. In this joint work the State Boards expended $331,000 and the Home Board $128,000.

2. Missions in Cuba. The field occupied by this work comprises the four western provinces of the island, and the population of these provinces is 730,000. This work, in the midst of Roman Catholic igno-

rance and prejudice is difficult; but our twenty-five toilers there are faithful, and the kingdom grows. They report for one year eight day schools with 330 pupils, one new house of worship built: 168 baptisms, 20 received by letter, and a total membership of 1,962.

3. Work among foreigners in the South. For the evangelization of the 4,000,000 foreigners in the South we have about fifty missionaries —a force entirely inadequate to the great needs of the situation—, but they are earnest and valiant and are doing a great work. There are 400,000 Mexicans in Texas, and our Home Board in connection with the Texas State Board sustains 54 churches and stations among them. This work is being greatly blessed, and our splendid school at El Paso is training many fine young Mexican christians for service among their own people.

4. Work among the Indians. There are more than 125,000 Indians in Oklahoma, and the Home Board, in co operation with the State Board carries on a work among the five civilized tribes. To conduct this a superintendent and twelve Indian missionaries are employed. The Board also conducts missions among two wild tribes, the Pawnees and the Osages. Great success has attended the work among the Pawnees and many of the chiefs and other influential men are members of the church.

5. Work for the Negroes During the past year the Home Board has assisted the Negro National Baptist Convention in the support of 39 missionaries among the negroes In addition, in the department of evangelism, our Board has employed two negro evangelists who have done a marvelous work, their report for last year showing that they had received more than 4,000 for baptism. Our Board has also set on foot a movement for the establishment of a Theological School for the negroes, and so pleased are our colored Baptists with this proposition that they already have agents raising funds among their own churches for this School.

6. Work in the Panama Canal Zone. We have been working in the Canal Zone ten years and our workers there have lived through the vicissitudes of the building of the great Canal. Bro J. F Wise, our superintendent, says now of the work, "Forcible depopulation of the Zone has necessarily forced us to move some of our churches and pastor's homes to permanent places. Four of our eight churches there have in this way suffered loss, but the other four have prospects of steady and abiding growth."

7. Publicity department. The Home Board has never had a more successful year in its publicity work.

Besides publishing its monthly organ, "The Home Field" and a Mission Study Book entitled "Baptist Home Missions," it has about twenty attractive leaflets for free distribution on its general work. It also issued a beautiful Home Mission Album entitled "Home Missions in Pictures," the price of which is 25c post paid. A new set of fine Home Mission Charts, twice as large as the former, and appropriate for the wall of any church, has also been prepared. During the year this department also issued a total of 5,500,000 pages of tracts.

8 Mountain Schools The Board has added during the year two to the list of these schools, making the total number 34. Eight of these schools are in our own state. The good that they are doing is simply incalculable. They report a total of 5,281 students, 88 being ministerial students. Rev. J. C. Owen, the evangelist for these schools, had 490 conversions in his meetings, and over 500 of the students declared their willingness to be ministers of the gospel or missionaries. About 1,000 signed cards pledging for training and service as personal workers

9. Department of Enlistment. During the year 21 field workers have been employed in this department, an average of 16, and they have worked in seven states. They have projected and participated in 73 associational campaigns, definitely developed 143 pastoral fields, grouped 140 country and village churches, conducted 151 every-member canvasses, introduced the envelope system in 115 churches, held 296 services with pastorless churches, and built or improved 51 church buildings and parsonages.

10. Church Extension. Much money has been given and loaned the churches, but the total of 8,000 needy fields still stand, nearly 4,000 of them being without a church building. The Board's Church-Building Loan fund now amounts to $122,500. But what is this among so many? The Board hopes in the near future to launch a campaign for a Million-Dollar fund for this greatly needy work.

11. Evangelism. Dr. Bruner, Secretary of this great department says it has been a great year and a great work. Our 27 evangelists reported 12,673 baptisms, 17,057 total additions to the churches, and 1,301 volunteers for the ministry and mission work More baptisms are reported by this department than were ever reported by all the departments of the Board in any year prior to 1906. The number of baptisms reported from this single department of our Board is larger than those reported from all sources by the Home Mission Board of any other denomination of which we know. And this blessed work in which over 12,000 souls were saved and over 17,000 added to our churches was done at a cost to our Board of only $17,522.00.

The grand total of all these agencies sums up 38,310 baptisms, 20,660 received by letter and otherwise, total additions 63,970. A glorious record, for which we can thank God and take courage. Our recommendation is that we continue and increase our support of this blessed work.

I. M. MERCER, Com.

After an address on the report by Elder James I. Kendrick, it was adopted.

Bro. Archibald Johnson made the report, as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, of Liberty.Piedmont Institute.

REPORT ON LIBERTY-PIEDMONT INSTITUTE

The fall session has opened with a larger enrollment than last year. The faculty has been strengthened by the addition of some exceptional-

ly strong teachers and the prospects are good for the best session in the history of the school.

The one thing that stands in the way of our success is the debt on the school property which instead of growing less is growing larger While the school is self sustaining, the interest on what we owe is constantly adding to our burden.

Under the new plan of putting Christian Education on the budget of our churches we hope that at least the interest may be provided for, and some means must be provided for a gradual reduction of the principal.

The equipment of the school is of the best. The health record, which has always been remarkable, remains unbroken, and the many advantages of the institution as a place of thorough preparation ought to command the patronage of all our people.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
Chairman Board of Trustees

This report was followed by addresses from brethren W. F. Cheek and J. M. Hamrick.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

It was decided at this juncture to close the work of the association to-day, giving only two days to the work.

It was reported that this association was still due on the Wake Forest church $138 00. It was decided to apportion this among the churches as follows: Lexington $25.00; Rich Fork $5 00; Reed's $10.00; Wallburg $10.00; New Friendship $10.00; Jersey $5 00; Holloway's $10.00; Gravel Hill $2.50; Abbott's Creek $9.00; Liberty $5.00; Pine M. House $10.00; Smith Grove $5.00; Lick Creek $15.00; Center Hill $5.00; Denton $10.00; Stoner's Grove $5.00; Thomasville $5.00.

It was adjudged that some of the churches named above, have already done nearly all that they should do, hence the amounts of some of them may seem small.

The following brethren were appointed as delegates to the Baptist State Convention, viz.: Berry R. Cross, A. E. Sheets and L E. Teague.

Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention: Dr. I. M. Mercer; alternate, C. M. Wall.

The Moderator appointed the following named brethren as committees to write reports on the subjects assigned, next year: Foreign Missions, J. M. Hamrick; State Missions, I. M. Mercer; Orphanage, G. G. Wall; Christian Education, M. L. Kesler; Ministerial Relief, J. F. Carter; Woman's Work, P. V. Critcher; Sunday Schools, R. S. Green; Biblical Recorder, W. F. Cheek; Layman's Movement, Archibald Johnson; Liberty Piedmont Institute, M. L. Kesler; State of the Churches, Henry Sheets; Order of Business, A. Johnson and O. A. Keller.

In the great haste manifested in getting through the work of the body in two days, the work being done by our women had almost passed

without the notice due it as felt by every one when attention had been called to it.

Bro. J. M. Hamrick was asked to write a report which follows:

WOMAN'S WORK

The Department of Woman's Work is simply the organization of the sisters of our churches into Missionary Societies for the high and noble purpose to study Missions; to know more of the work and extension of the Kingdom of Our Lord; to deepen the spiritual life and to more fully consecrate the life to the service of God; to increase and intensify love to God and for the lost world; to develop the spirit of liberality so that we may give of our means to the support of our Mission work as God hath prospered us; and to study God's Word that duty to both God and man may be more fully understood

The work in the bounds of our association is in good condition, the Societies increasing in number and efficiency every year. In some of our churches already the Woman s Missionary Society is the chief support to our Mission work. As proof of the usefulness and efficiency of this department of our work, it often occurs that the Woman's Missionary Society of a church gives more to Missions and other objects than the entire membership gives. This is also true of the Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors. No church is prepared to do its best work until the women and the girls and the boys are organized into Woman's Missionary Societies, Sunbeams and Royal Ambassador Bands. Any church of our association desiring such organizations is asked to write Mrs. P. S. Vann, Vice-President of Woman's Work, Lexington, N. C., and she will give all needed information and assistance. She will also visit the churches in person and personally help organize and start the Society off.

It is with saddened heart that we here mention the death of Miss Heck, who for so many years has led our Southern women on to many a noble victory in Woman's Work, which she so beautifully said was "the best cause of the best King." How she loved Woman's Work! May our sisters of the Liberty association strive to emulate this virtue in the noble life of Miss Heck.

J. M. Hamrick.

Bro. L. W. Hansell offered a vote of thanks to the church and community for the entertainment given during the sitting of this body:

Resolved that the thanks of this body are due the church and community and are hereby tendered for the kind and hospitable manner in which we have been entertained during this session of the association.

It was decided to have the sermon for 1916 preached on Tuesday night instead of 11 o'clock on the first day as has been the custom.

The schedule of pledges were ordered to be the same as 1915, except Thomasville wanted the pledge on the Orphanage raised from $75 00 to $100.00 and pastor J. F. Fletcher wanted his two churches placed at what they paid this year.

It was ordered that the clerk have 500 copies of minutes printed and that he be allowed $10.00 for his services.

This was regarded as a good session of the Liberty Baptist Association.

It was the first time in its history that the work was completed in two days. It looks now as though in the future that only two days will be given to the session and the subjects will be so grouped as to make it easy.

Thus ended the eighty-second session of Liberty Association, to meet at Wallburg in September, Tuesday before the first Sunday, 1916.

O. A. KELLER, MODERATOR.
HENRY SHEETS, CLERK.

Financial Report of the Woman's Union of the Liberty Baptist Association.

Note. There are nine churches in this Association, having a woman's missionary society actively engaged in missionary and other benevolent work. These nine societies are doing a fine work and are a stimulus to the church in which they are at work.

These women are as prompt to meet in their society meetings as they are to meet the regular services of their respective churches, and they are among the Lord's most faithful.

It is not regarded as a burden to meet regularly and talk and plan and pray for the enlargement of the Lord's kingdom but a positive pleasure to be permitted to have a part in the glorious work of bringing the world to Christ.

But read the results of a year's faithful work:

The society of Denton church, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, Denton, N. C. President. The membership is 13.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State Missions	$	13 47
Home missions		7 65
Foreign missions		25 00
Training school		7 82
Orphanage		22 50
Other Objects		39 25
Total		115 69

These faithful ones averaged nearly $8.90 per member, for one year.

The society of Holloway's church. Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Lexington, N. C. President.

This society numbers 28. There is also a sunbeam society of which Miss Ald Beanblossom of High Rock, N. C., is President. Number of members 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State missions	$	7 17
Home missions		5 35
Foreign missions		10 00
Training school		1 00
Other objects		6 92
Total		30 44

The society of Jersey church, Mrs. Amanda Palmer, Linwood, N. C. President. This society has 22 members.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State missions	$	3 72
Home missions		9 03
Foreign missions		4 08
Training school		2 00
Other objects		6 39
Total		25 22

The society of Lexington church, Miss Roxie Sheets, Lexington, N. C. President. This society has a membership of 42.

There is also a Sunbeam society. Miss Virginia Hamrick Lexington, N. C. is President. The membership is 30.

Mr. Paul Hamrick, Lexington, N. C. is President of Royal Ambassadors. Number of members 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State missions	$	41 06
Home missions		23 10
Foreign missions		36 48
Training school		11 70
Total		112 34

The society of Reed's church, Mrs N. L Craver, Lexington, N. C. President. Number of members 12. There is also a Sunbeam society. Miss Vivian Craver, Lexington, N. C , is President. There is a membership of 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State missions	$	3 62
Home Missions		90
Foreign missions		90
Other objects		2 50
Total		7 92

Stoner's Grove church society, Mrs Fannie Long, Linwood, N. C., is the society's President. Number of members 15.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State missions	$	10 45
Home missions		10 00
Foreign missions		10 00
Other objects		6 35
Total		36 80

Baptist Orphanage society, Mrs. L. W. Bagley, Thomasville, N. C., President. The number of members is not given, but this statement: "all the Orphanage employees and children constitute the membership."

CONTRIBUTIONS

State missions	$	73 01
Home missions		69 17
Foreign missions		104 80
Sunday School Board		10 00
Training School		10 96
Other objects		248 56
Total		516 50

"How can these things be?"

Woman's Missionary society of Thomasville church; Mrs. R. S. Green,

Thomasville, N C , President. The membership is 25. Sunbeam society, Miss Hattie Stone, Thomasville, N. C., President. Membership 22.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State missions	$	61 79
Home missions		43 50
Foreign missions		34 85
Total		140 14

This is the society that nursed Thomasville church when it was in an enfeebled state—scarcely able to walk alone. They did it and we know it.

Missionary society, Wallburg church; Mrs. J M. Cheek, Wallburg, N. C., President. Its membership numbers 15. Sunbeam society, Miss Lillie Green, Wallburg, N C., is President. Number of members 28.

CONTRIBUTIONS

State missions	$	9 75
Home missions		6 65
Foreign missions		6 40
Progress fund		50
Training school		6 70
Other objects		7 80
Total		37 80

It is simply wonderful what a few of our women have done in one short year, during these stressful times. Counting 40 for the Orphanage, there are only 210 women enrolled in this organized society work. Most of them it is presumed, are people of only ordinary means; none of them wealthy, yet through organization and devotion to the cause, meeting regularly and talking over the affairs of the kingdom, they thus keep the matter ever before the society and consequently surprise, not only the men, but themselves as well.

These women have collected for the Lord's work in one short year $1,022 85. Had they carried the purses what would they not have done? Nine out of twenty-five churches have done this.

TABLE OF PLEDGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPT. 1916.

CHURCHES	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	TOTAL
Abbott's Creek	$20 62	7 50	17 50	6 25	31 25	6 25	5 62	94 99
Center Hill	13 75	4 37	11 87	2 75	8 75	3 12	4 37	48 98
Denton	38 16	15 84	32 88	2 74	29 54	2 05	2 02	123 23
Gravel Hill	11 25	6 87	10 62	1 37	12 50	2 50	2 50	47 61
Holloway's	27 50	10 00	31 25	2 75	25 00	6 87	6 87	110 24
Huldah	3 12	3 12	3 75	1 20	3 75	1 25	1 25	17 44
Jersey	34 37	13 75	33 75	4 12	31 25	11 25	8 10	136 59
Lexington	125 00	50 00	93 75	15 00	62 50	13 75	13 75	373 75
Liberty	7 25	7 50	16 25	1 37	13 75	3 12	3 12	52 36
Lick Creek	13 75	8 75	27 50	2 75	31 25	5 00	5 00	94 00
New Friendship	21 87	8 75	16 25	3 43	25 00	5 00	4 37	84 67
Oak Grove	6 25	2 50	2 50	1 25	6 25	1 25	1 25	21 25
Oak Hill	12 50	6 87	6 87	1 25	7 50	2 50	2 50	39 99
Orphanage	93 75	50 00	96 25	6 87	125 00	33 75	13 75	419 37
Pine M House	34 37	15 00	36 25	2 75	37 25	6 87	6 87	139 36
Reed's X Roads	20 62	12 50	27 50	2 75	25 00	7 50	7 50	103 37
Rich Fork	18 75	11 25	16 25	2 75	22 50	5 62	4 37	81 49
Smith Grove	7 50	3 75	4 37	1 37	25 00	3 75	2 50	48 25
Stoner's Grove	50 00	25 75	30 22	13 41	41 09	7 88	5 98	174 33
Summerville	3 75	1 87	3 75	1 25	5 00	2 18	1 87	19 67
Taylor's Grove	3 75	1 87	3 12	68	6 25	1 87	1 87	19 41
Thomasville	96 87	56 25	100 00	15 00	100 00	15 00	11 25	394 37
Wallburg	87 50	43 75	81 25	6 87	75 00	11 25	10 62	316 24
Walter's Grove	3 75	2 50	3 75	1 25	6 25	1 25	1 25	20 00
Welcome	3 12	3 75	6 87	1 25	6 25	1 25	1 25	23 74
Total	759 12	374 06	714 32	102 43	762 88	172 08	130 84	3015 73

CHURCH STATISTICS

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND POST-OFFICES	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			Number of Males	Number of Females	Total Membership
					By Baptisms	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Abbott's Creek	Thomas Carrick, High Point	C H Teague, Wallburg	3rd	$1 000	12	3	---	1	1	---	67	112	179
Center Hill	Henry Sheets, Lexington	S E Jarrett, Linwood	1st	2 000	7	---	---	---	---	---	44	71	115
Denton	J. F. Fletcher, Denton	J D Lookabill, Southmont	1,3rd	2 000	10	2	---	5	1	1	48	44	92
Gravel Hill	W. C. Smith, High Point	E M Russell, Riley's Store	3rd	500	6	---	---	3	1	1	21	25	46
Holloway	Henry Sheets, Lexington	Berry R Cross, High Rock	2nd	1 800	10	1	---	4	2	6	76	123	199
Huldah	W. C. Smith, High Point	Vester Moore, Asheboro	2nd	500	1	1	---	1	---	---	27	38	65
Jersey	Henry Sheets, Lexington	L A Smith, Linwood	3rd	------	11	1	1	4	---	---	72	103	175
Lexington	J. M. Hamrick, Lexington	Percy V Critcher, Lexington	every	40 000	11	21	---	6	---	2	139	198	337
Liberty	C. L. Taylor, Denton	H P May, Hannersville	4th	1 000	4	1	---	3	---	3	65	119	184
Lick Creek	Thomas Carrick, High Point	P M Snyder, High Rock	4th	1 500	6	---	---	2	---	2	52	75	127
New Friendship	A. L McLendon, Win.-Salem	B F Charles, Winston-Salem	4th	3 000	1	---	---	1	3	1	48	77	125
Oak Grove	E. Long, Winston-Salem	Ben Johnson, Winston-Salem	4th	600	---	---	---	---	---	---	3	5	8
Oak Hill	No report, Last Year's	M F Underwood, Trinity	1st	550	---	---	---	---	---	---	18	16	34
Orphanage	I. M. Mercer, Thomasville	L W Bagley, Thomasville	2, 4th	------	4	20	---	47	---	---	79	180	259
Pine M. House	J. F. Carter, Linwood	Linwood	2,4th	1 000	34	2	3	5	6	1	90	104	194
Peed's X Roads	J. M. Hamrick, Lexington	D C Craver, Lexington	1st	3 000	19	---	---	1	---	1	62	91	153
Rich Fork	J. M. Hamrick, Lexington	T H Lamb, Thomasville	4th	1 800	4	---	---	1	---	3	45	91	136
Smith Grove	W. C. Smith, High Point	L T Yarbrough, Salisbury, R 7	1st	1 400	10	---	1	3	---	---	48	53	101
Stoner's Grove	J. F. Fletcher, Denton	J D Lookabill, Southmont	1,3rd	2 000	---	1	---	---	---	---	48	44	92
Summerville	C. E. Crissman, High Point	J M C Thompson, Denton	1st	1 200	1	---	---	---	3	1	42	90	132
Taylor's Grove	No letter, Last year's	Statistics		1 000	---	---	---	---	---	---	4	11	15
Thomasville	I. M. Mercer, Thomasville	L E Teague, Thomasville	2,4th	15 000	9	8	---	15	1	---	75	133	208
Wallburg	O. A. Keller, Wallburg	J E Motsinger, Wallburg		4 000	2	7	---	2	4	1	67	80	147
Walter's Grove	C L Taylor, Denton	J T Pierce, Cid	1,3rd	300	4	1	---	2	2	---	16	30	46
Welcome	O A Keller, Wallburg	C S Hayne, Welcome											
Total					166	69	5	106	24	23	1246	1913	3159

TABLE II—FINANCIAL.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S S Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Colleges and Schools	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Abbott's Creek	$150 00	$	$26 00	$22 00		$1 40		$19 20	$7 50	$14 00	$5 00	$50 00	5 00	4 50			304 50
Center Hill	100 00	63 00	5 55	9 00		2 00		13 75	4 40	11 87	2 75	8 75	3 12	4 37			198 93
Denton	250 00		20 07	9 00		1 50		38 16	15 84	32 83	2 74	29 54	2 05	2 02	5 00	100 00	508 75
Gravel Hill	75 00	63 00		9 00				5 76		7 67		9 00	2 00			26 70	198 13
Holloway's	150 00		2 00	6 50		1 50		19 00	10 00	22 24	1 60	14 00	2 10	2 00		20 50	251 44
Huldah	85 00					1 00		1 45	1 78	1 45		2 45					93 13
Jersey	175 00		40 00			2 20		15 00	11 00	17 00	3 00	31 35	9 00	6 00			309 55
Lexington	1200 00	5566 75	170 00	101 93				52 53	60 12	47 96		153 84			11 70	64 50	7429 33
Liberty	75 00			4 00		1 10		6 00	6 00	10 00	1 00	8 00	2 00	2 00			115 10
Lick Creek	170 00		25 00	4 00		75		8 35	6 30	16 75	1 54	19 00	3 00	3 00			257 69
New Friendship	150 00			4 40		1 60		5 90	8 00	5 00		7 06					181 96
Oak Grove	25 00			10 00		50		4 33	1 10			7 00		1 00			48 93
Oak Hill	no let																
Orphanage	412 22	64 00	20 00		33 75	1 50		147 63	127 51	155 09	9 81	157 89	39 16	14 31	126 34	175 89	1485 10
Pine M House	150 00			30 50		2 40		11 00	8 00	20 00		24 00					245 90
Reed's X Roads	120 00	35 00	46 50			1 50		11 52	5 50	14 50	2 90	25 00					262 42
Rich Fork	100 00		25 00	21 00		1 00		10 00	5 00	10 00	3 00	21 00	2 50	2 50			201 00
Smith Grove	100 00		31 13	7 07		1 80		3 00	2 81	4 71		5 00					155 52
Stoner's Grove	225 00		22 67			2 65		50 00	25 75	30 22	13 41	41 09	7 88	5 98	5 00		429 65
Summerville	65 00	112 83	30			1 25		3 00	1 50	3 00	1 00	4 00		1 75	1 50		206 13
Taylor's Grove		no rep															
Thomasville	500 00	245 99	190 99	51 76		3 00		104 29	60 62	62 51	3 18	84 85		8 00		335 63	1650 82
Wallburg	265 00	22 50	42 00	104 37	12 50	2 75		81 25	39 47	65 20		32 63	8 40			25 00	701 07
Walter's Grove	50 00			4 00				3 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00		10 20	80 20
Welcome	100 00		2 50			1 25		11 08	3 75	3 15		6 25	1 35			11 55	140 88
Total	4692 22	6183 17	639 71	398 53	46 25	32 65		625 20	413 95	558 15	51 93	746 70	88 48	57 43	149 54	769 97	15456 13

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES	SECRETARIES AND POSTOFFICES	Number of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S S	Months Kept Open.	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Abbott's Creek	W D Spurgeon, High Point	J. P. Traynham, High Hoint	1	7	80	87	40	12	12	$22 00	------	----	------	22 00
Center Hill	J L Bowers, Lexington	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	1	11	77	88	35	10	5	9 00	------	------	------	9 00
Denton	L A Newsome, Denton	Ethel Henderson, Denton	1	8	156	134	63	12	10	42 63	5 00	------	------	47 63
Gravel Hill	W D Loftin, Riley's Store	E M Russell, Riley's Store	1	6	103	109	37	12	6	9 00	------	------	------	9 00
Holloway's	Berry R Cross, High Creek	S. E Jarrett, Linwood	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	------	------	------	------	------
Huldah	----------	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	------	------	------	------	------
Jersey	J D Palmer, Linwood	J N Pennington, Linwood	1	8	58	66	----	12	4	5 45	------	3 87	------	9 32
Lexington	John A Sink, Lexington	A E Sheets, Lexington	1	20	330	350	----	12	10	101 93	25 55	36 91	80 65	154 14
Liberty	S H Hindley, Thomasville	Alice Kindley, Lexington	1	6	57	63	50	6	----	4 00	----	------	------	4 00
Lick Creek	J A Kenney, High Rock	V R. Skeen, High Rock	1	7	53	60	27	6	6	4 00	------	------	------	4 00
New Friendship	Elmer Snyder, Winston-Salem	Charles Wilson, Winston-Salem	1	4	58	62	----	----	----	------	------	------	------	------
Oak Grove	Ben Johnson, Winston-Salem	W C Tucker, Winston-Salem	1	5	40	48	8	12	----	------	------	------	------	------
Oak Hill	----------	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	------	------	------	------	------
Orphanage	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	Kenneth Crutchfield, Thomasville	1	21	470	491	259	12	4	------	97 37	6 00	42 46	145 83
Pine M. House	R L Williams, Linwood	Carrie Barnes, Linwood	2	14	186	200	73	12	32	------	------	------	------	------
Reed's X Roads	Arlie Myers, Lexington	A B Craver, Lexington	1	6	114	120	----	12	15	13 00	2 90	------	------	2 90
Rich Fork	T H Small, Thomasville	Jacob Kanby, Thomasville	1	7	150	157	50	12	----	12 00	3 00	6 00	------	21 00
Smith Grove	W H Lomax, Jubilee, R 1	C F Simerson, Jubilee	1	7	105	112	57	12	8	7 07	------	------	------	------
Stoner's Grove	S E Warfford, Linwood	O E Stoner, Southmont	1	8	113	121	50	12	----	34 43	21 23	21 81	------	77 87
Summerville	J H C Thompson, Denton	J H C Thompson, Denton	1	6	40	46	20	8	----	2 00	------	------	------	2 00
Taylor's Grove	----------	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	------	------	------	------	------
Thomasville	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	W B Stone, Thomasville	2	15	336	350	60	12	6	51 76	3 18	46 60	46 61	148 15
Walburg	C M Wall, Wallburg	E E Jenkins, Wallburg	1	12	100	112	72	12	2	104 37	31 25	------	88 54	225 16
Walter's Grove	R W Prevost, Cid	Mrs. May Varner, Cid	1	4	45	49	10	12	----	4 00	3 00	5 00	------	12 00
Welcome	W S Disher, Lexington	John Leonard, Welcome	1	8	82	90	35	12	7	10 00	------	------	------	10 00
Total	----------	----------	23	198	3099	3297	1020	----	127	436 65	155 05	131 19	258 26	984 00

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER, 1916.

Fletcher, J. F. ..... Denton, N. C.
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Lanning, Jeff ..... Denton, N. C.
Mercer, I. M., D.D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Sheets, Henry ..... Lexington, N. C.
Taylor, C. E. ..... Denton, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

Forest Feezor.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

R. S. Green, M. L. Kesler, C. M. Wall, A. S. Miller, P. V. Critcher.

PROCEEDINGS.

EIGHTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Wallburg Baptist Church,
September 5, 1916.

The body convened to-day with this church. The programme provided for the Annual sermon to-night.

Religious exercises were conducted by Dr. Fred D. Hale giving a helpful Bible lesson on the "enthronement of Christ in the heart."

Then, Moderator Keller called the body to order. The roll of churches was then called and names of delegates enrolled as follows:

Abbott's Creek: C. E. Spurgeon, R. A. Bodenhammer and C. H. Teague.
Center Hill: Ray S. Smith, A. V. Miller and Albert Owen.
Denton: W. B. Russell, Albert Snider and W. R. Snider.
Gravel Hill: W. D. Loftin, L. D. Latham and Z. D. Dorsett.
Holloways: G. C. Workman and J. E. Starr.
Huldah: No report.
Jersey: S. A. Sharpe, F. C. Sowers, Charles Roach.
Lexington: Fred D. Hale, L. A. Martin, P. L. Feezor, E. E. Witherspoon and G. F. Hankins.
Liberty: A. S. Miller, S. H. Kindley and A. E. Watford.
Lick Creek: No report.
New Friendship: C. L. Lopp, Charley Mendenhall, A. P. Snider and Franklin Motsinger.
Oak Grove: By letter.
Oak Hill: No report.
Orphanage: L. W. Bagley, B. F. Crutchfield and M. L. Kesler.
Pine M. House: Henderson Barnes and B. C. Ingram.
Reed's X Roads: Arlie Myers, R. A. Hill and E. A. Snider.
Rich Fork: G. T. Everhart, Willie Bowers and Alex Clinard.
Smith Grove: L. T. Yarborough.
Stoner's Grove: J. D. Lookabill, J. F. Roach.
Summerville: By letter.
Taylor's Grove: By letter.
Thomasville: R. S. Green, L. E. Teague, A. Johnson and L. W. Hansel.
Wallburg: C. M. Wall, G. G. Wall and J. M. Cheek.
Walter's Grove: No report.
Welcome: C. R. Craver.

A quorum being present the body went into the

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

O. A. Keller was re-elected Moderator.
R. S. Green was re-elected Vice-Moderator.
G. W. Wall was made Treasurer.
Henry Sheets was continued as clerk.

Bro. Fuller B. Hamrick was asked to write the report on Home Missions, taking the place of J. F. Fletcher, who was absent.

Visiting brethren were recognized and invited to seats. The following accepted: Dr. Hight C. Moore, editor of Biblical Recorder;

E. L. Middleton, Sunday School Secretary, and Dr. C. E. Brewer, President of Meredith College.

Dr. Fred D. Hale was recognized as a new pastor, having recently come to this body.

The following report on Sunday Schools was read by Bro. R. S. Green:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Since the Sunday Schools are the training schools of the church, their careful maintenance is necessary to the development of an informed church membership and the sure growth of the church.

The Sunday Schools reach children at an impressionable age and give them a knowledge of divine truth that will remain with them all their lives. Therefore, it is most essential that each Sunday School have a regular session fifty-two Sundays of the year, superintended and taught by men and women who are consecrated and as careful to attend every Sunday as they would like their scholars to be. Such a Sunday School will not lag and die from lack of interest.

The Baptist Sunday Schools of the South had last year an aggregate membership of 214,972 people. This represents a growth of 13,785 members over the previous year. In nearly one-third of the churches of the Baptist State Convention the Sunday School membership is larger than the church membership. It is important that every member of every church be a regular attendant on the Bible school. There are many in each community who regularly attend neither Sunday School nor church services. A church whose members all attend Sunday School can reach and bring in these people who need church influence.

In order to advance Sunday school work, maintain interest and enlarge its usefulness, there are five things essential in every church:

1. A vision of the power and place of the Sunday School and a task in it for every member.
2. Thorough organization and better equipment. The Sunday school board publishes and distributes free tracts which are very helpful to Sunday schools not fully organized and equipped.
3. Enlistment of all the members of each church and the outsiders in the community.
4. Organization of the adult classes and provision for separate class rooms for them wherever possible.
5. Teacher training courses both for those now in charge of classes and those who should be trained for that work in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. GREEN.

After the report had been fully discussed by brethren R. S. Green and E. L. Middleton, it was adopted.

At this juncture, the body stood and sung "O how I love Jesus."

Bro. G. G. Wall presented the following report on the Baptist Orphanage:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

The heart of any people is measured by the attitude it bears toward children. As we climb slowly higher and higher upon the heights of civilization our concern grows stronger and deeper toward the conservation of youth. The man is as the child was is an axiom that stands the harsh exactions of the time. If ever we are to wit-

ness that period of universal peace, the brotherhood of man, and the absolute recognition of the Fatherhood of God we must begin to train for it by moulding plastic minds,—tender and fragile—though vigorous, as they are, so that their ideals will be harmonized with such high principles of existence.

Then the claim of an orphan child upon us is surely evident. If we are our brother's keeper, then we are the keeper of our brother's child also. If a child gain the whole world and lose his own soul he is profited nothing. By keeping him for a saved soul what wonder have we wrought? Five hundred children saved from lesser lives and probable death—miracle of miracles, most glorious of wonders! What pathetic pull on the heart allied with Jesus, what tender whisperings in the soul? Who can foretell the influence this five hundred will sway on the great tomorrow? What battles will they win, what momentous questions decide? Five hundred trained in christian service, five hundred taught in consecration, five hundred joined in high ideal and noble purpose, can usher our state and nation into the dreamed to-morrow—what can they not do?

Therefore, since each child requires about ten dollars per month, since we are doing by them even beyond our meagre comprehension, since we are a keeper to our brother and his child, let it be Resolved:

First. That we ask a warm place—a still warmer place—for the Orphanage in the hearts and prayers of our people;

Second. That we urge every church member of our association to visit this worthy institution;

Third. That we request every individual to give one day's labor in cash as a Thanksgiving offering;

Fourth. That each Sunday School be expected to turn one collection each month regularly into the Orphanage treasury;

Fifth. That we strive to place a copy of the Charity and Children in the home of every christian.

Sixth. That we extend to authority at the Orphanage congratulations for the past achievements and aid in yet greater achievements in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

GRIFFIN G. WALL,
For Committee.

This report was ably discussed by G. G. Wall, I. M. Mercer, Arch'd Johnson, L. W. Bagley and M. L. Kesler, after which, it was then adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Finance: L. E. Teague, Hugh Miller and J. D. Lookabill.

On place and Preacher for next session: A. S. Miller, Curtis Craver and B. F. Crutchfield. Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Hight C. Moore.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Assembled for business—Dr. Hight C. Moore, led the body in prayer.

The first item for consideration in the afternoon was the State of the churches by Henry Sheets' report:

The condition of our churches generally, is far from being satis-

factory. There is a declination in religious zeal, from that of former years. Let us note:

(1) The religious life, as manifested in our churches almost everywhere, has grown to be too formal, having only a form of goodliness. There is a lack of religious fervor in our devotions.

(2). Indifference to information concerning the Lord's work. Many read almost nothing of a religious character. There are many Baptists who take several secular papers, but cannot be induced to take and read their denominational organ.

Good books are rarely ever seen in many of our homes. A few dollars spent for doctrinal literature might build up and hold, many who in after life leave us and go to other folds.

(3) Lack of spiritual interest is brought out when so few are found at prayer meeting. Do Christians pray? How can they live without it? Are you one of those who go to God's house only occasionally and sit back from the preacher in a freezing atmosphere?

(4) The state of the churches is brought in another thing: so few manifest special interest the raising of money for the church and its work. But every one should stand up for and encourage the work in every conceivable way.

What is the state of your church? What would your church be if every member was just like you?

This was discussed by Sheets, Carrick, Brewer and Mercer.

Next on programme, was the Biblical Recorder. Brother W. F. Cheek read the following

REPORT ON THE BIBLICAL RECORDER.

The Recorder was founded eighty-two years ago, and has had a history of great progress. It now ranks with the first among the messengers of Biblical truth in the South. With its present editor it has had unusual progress in effectiveness and power as one of the great agencies of Christ's Kingdom. Its subscription list has grown and it has, also, made very marked advance in the estimation of the Baptist host throughout our country.

The Recorder stands firm to its purposes, these being to give a proper account of the work of the Kingdom in our state from a Baptist point of view. It tries to put in the hands of all the state Baptist brotherhood each week a complete record of the endeavors and accomplishments of its forces. It endeavors to teach, indoctrinate, and cultivate all Baptist in its field. A great number of Baptists are leaning almost wholly upon this paper for the discussion of the doctrines of the Baptists.

It is very important to the growth of a strong Baptist people, since it carries with it an awakening influence and deepening interest in the business of the Kingdom. We need information for this gives conviction and stimulates interest. To spread information is one of the chief functions of the Recorder.

Baptists have suffered more for the lack of intelligent views relative to our opportunities and duty than any other cause, the Recorder seeks to remedy this problem. It is indispensable to the work of every Baptist home in our state. The Recorder has created a desire for a larger and better paper among its patrons. It has gradually grown in size and as a dispenser of good and valuable thought at gradual increase in cost to the point where it has become necessary to increase the cost to subscribers to $2.00 a year. The Recorder should have a place in the heart of every Baptist in the

state and should be in all Baptist homes of the state, as it is indispensable in stimulating and inspiring to our full duty in work for God.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. CHEEK.

The report on the Layman's movement was prepared and read by Archibald Johnson. It was discussed by brethren Johnson, Brewer and Green. It provoked a spirited discussion—the object sought, after which, it was recommitted. After it had been rewritten, the "teeth" having been extracted, it was adopted. The report follows:

REPORT ON LAYMAN'S MOVEMENT.

No enterprise ever had a more propitious beginning than the Layman's Movement; but better things were expected than have come to us.

Great meetings have been held; vast sums of money have been subscribed and confident predictions made, that the gospel was to be offered, at an early date, to every man, woman and child in the whole wide world.

But the echoes of the speeches died away, and a large proportion of the subscriptions were never collected while the enthusiasm engendered has gradually cooled, and the progress of the gospel has not received the impulse that it was hoped would result.

Our boards were hampered last year with a heavy debt, and the laymen were given the opportunity to bring their business foresight to bear, and it was fondly dreamed that every dollar would be speedily paid; but only about $30,000 of the $180,000 debt on the foreign mission board was collected through the movement. The preachers led a crusade, however, that lifted the debt within three months after the campaign began.

Credit should be given the Layman's Movement for the every member canvass plan, and for a wider vision of the obligation of the Laymen in the promotion of the Kingdom.

Your committee are convinced that the movement started out with the wrong name. No movement in the life of the church can succeed, or ought to succeed, without recognition of the leadership of the pastor. He was divinely appointed to lead the flock.

We would recommend, therefore, that no place be given hereafter in the order of business of the Liberty Association for the Layman's Movement and that we hereby emphasize the fact that our pastors ought to occupy the foremost place in all our religious work.

We would further recommend a more correct study of the great work of missions on the part of the men of our churches and would point to the women and their work as a wholesome example for the brethren to follow.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

Christian education was then taken up. The report was read by M. L. Kesler. It follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Christian education is education under definite Christian influence. This of necessity must be done in the denominational school. The claim that the State Colleges and high schools are doing their work under practically the same Christian influences is hardly borne out by the facts. "By their fruits ye shall know them." I quote some figures from investigations made by President J. W. Provine, of Mississippi College, as follows:

"Ministerial students in the United States coming from State schools 6.6 per cent; Denominational students 80.9 per cent."

"Foreign Missionaries—State schools, 7.1 per cent; Denominational schools 84.8 per cent.'

"Home Missions—State schools, 6.3 per cent; Denominational schools, 84.8 per cent."

"Eight of the nine justices of the United States Supreme Court are college men; of these eight are from Christian colleges."

"Nineteen of the twenty-seven presidents of the United States were college men, and seventeen of the nineteen were products of the Christian College."

"Sixty-nine per cent of the men of promise in 'Who Is Who in America' came from Christian Colleges."

The Baptists of the South are doing a goodly share of this work. Southern Baptists own 132 Seminaries, Colleges and Academies with a total of 1,584 instructors and 26,835 students of whom 1,946 are ministerial students.

It is stated on good authority that one-seventh of all College students in the United States are in Baptist institutions. The real truth is that the denominational schools in many ways are doing more for the State than the State schools themselves. In them are moulded the ideals and principles that make for permanency of government and the real progress of mankind.

With all this splendid record the majority of our Baptist schools are burdened with debt or greatly handicapped by lack of suitable buildings and equipment.

For this Association, in secondary school work, our interest centers in Liberty Piedmont Institute under whose shadow we meet to-day. Its twelve years of struggle have not been in vain. In the face of debt and many discouragements the school has taken its stand among the best in the land, when the quality of the work is considered among Southern Baptists. North Carolina takes the lead in number of Baptist schools and students enrolled. 20 schools and 3,792 students. Perhaps some of these cannot and ought not survive. The merest glance at the territory will show the need of a school of this kind some where in this region. Are North Carolina Baptists going to rally about these strategic points and save them while they may? Are we prepared to make the sacrifice necessary to save our own school? It needs first our loyalty. We must send our children and then we must come to the help of the school with our means. Then we will love the school and the school will come to its own. M. L. KESLER.

This excellent and informing report was spoken to by brethren Kesler and Brewer. The motion to adopt was carried.

With this, the afternoon session closed.

Benediction by Brother Brewer.

NIGHT SERVICE—ANNUAL SERMON.

The body was called to order. Elder I. M. Mercer, the appointee, was announced to preach the Annual sermon: Text: Acts 2:47, last clause. Subject: "Some elements of a Successful Church." The "successful Church" as brought out in the sermon was a real New Testament church.

At the close, the congregation stood and sung "Come we that love the Lord."

Brother Hale then read the following

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Southern Baptist Convention sent out its first Foreign Missionary to China in 1845, 71 years ago. We've been at work in Africa 66 years, in Italy 46, in Mexico 36, in Brazil 34, in Japan 26, and in Argentina 13 years. In Africa, China, and Japan, we've been preaching to a Pagan population; and in Argentina, Brazil, Italy and Mexico, to a papal population. The past year has been the best in the history of our work in Foreign fields. There were 6,741 baptisms reported, which is more than 1,000 in excess of the number reported last year. Seventy-seven new churches have been constituted. Twenty-two new Missionaries have been sent out. Of this number four have gone to Africa, five to Brazil, twelve to China, and one to Japan. None have gone this year to Argentina, Italy, nor Mexico. Five years ago at the meeting of the Convention at Jacksonville, Florida, a movement was started to celebrate the One Hundredth Anniversary of the sailing of Adoniram Judson—America's first Missionary to a Foreign field, by raising in cash, and good subscriptions, the amount of $1,250,000, for the better equipment of our work in Foreign fields. During the past year, the herculean task was finished. During the past Convention year, unusual pressure has been brought to bear on Southern Baptists, as represented by the Convention, to compromise our distinctive principles, by entering into an arrangement with other Christian denominations in Foreign fields, in the matter of a division of territory, and engaging in Union Mission work, and Union Schools. However, the Convention, in its Foreign Mission work, has kept aloof from compromising entanglements; and has gone steadily on in its work, in the good old Baptist way, in their effort to preach a full gospel to every creature. The needs created by this program call for heroic giving, on the part of the constituents of the Convention. Southern Baptists now have 315 Foreign Missionaries at work, and 697 native assistants. We have 19 Medical Missionaries; who have, during the past year, treated 74,866 patients in the hospitals. We have 453 schools, colleges, and Theological Seminaries, with 13,531 pupils. The members of our 459 Foreign Mission churches have averaged $3.00 a piece in their contributions to the cause of Christ. The members of our 24,451 churches at home have averaged but a little over $4.00 each. When the Convention met in Asheville, in May of this year, we were in debt $180,000. Since that time the debt has been wiped out, by a large number of small gifts, from sympathetic, liberally disposed, self-sacrificing brethren and sisters throughout the bounds of the Convention. This shows what the spirit of co-operation can do.

FRED D. HALE.

Brother Hale then addressed the body on this able report. It was then adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following Committee to nominate the Executive Committee: L. W. Hansel, J. W. Tuttle and J. F. Roach.

Editor Hight C. Moore was asked to conduct religious exercises to-morrow morning.

Adjourned till 9:30 to-morrow morning.

Benediction by E. L. Middleton.

WEDNESDAY MORNING—SEPTEMBER 6th.

After song service Hight C. Moore read several passages from the New Testament in regard to "Jesus at prayer." It was both instructive and suggestive.

The first paper read was on Ministerial Relief by Bro. J. F. Carter. The paper is given below:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

One product of Christian civilization is the desire to care for those who are unfortunate. We see this every day. Wars, floods, earthquakes and other disasters leave somebody suffering. As soon as God's people hear this cry of suffering they respond with relief.

Our churches have agencies for caring for the unfortunate—funds for caring for the local poor, orphans, &c. One form of our benevolence is caring for ministers of the gospel when from age or disease they are not able to care for themselves and their families. There is no more meritorious call upon us. It is not charity in the ordinary meaning of that term. It is an unpaid debt we owe these soldiers of the Cross.

The work is conducted by a Board appointed by the State Convention and located at Durham. Rev. J. M. Arnette, Mebane, N. C., is the Corresponding Secretary.

The beneficiaries are paid quarterly. Last year there were from thirty-three to thirty-nine of these. They receive an average of about $100.00 each per year. Other beneficiaries need help and those on the Board do not receive enough. Southern Baptists pay their old and unfortunate ministers less than any other large denomination in North America. Shame on us!

We urge the churches to make more liberal offerings to this object. We especially urge every church and Sunday school to make a liberal Christmas offering to make glad the hearts of these good men and women on the Board. J. F. CARTER.

The body was then addressed on the above report by Brethren Carter and E. L. Middleton, after which it was adopted.

M. L. Kesler read the report of the Executive Committee, which is given below:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee beg leave to report the year's work as follows:

The Denton field has been without a pastor for part of the year, but reports the following gains: At Denton 3 by baptism, at Stoner's Grove 9 by baptism and 3 by letter.

The Thomasville field, at the Orphanage, 14 by baptism; at the Thomasville church 8 by baptism; at Rich Fork, 6 by baptism. Services have been held at Oak Hill church also; report no gain.

The Thomasville and Orphanage churches in addition to their Sunday schools in their churches are conducting two mission schools which are doing excellent work.

On the Wallburg field, at Wallburg, one received by baptism and one by letter; Welcome, 5 by baptism.

At Wallburg they are building a most excellent modern church building adapted to the growing needs of the church in connection with the Liberty Piedmont School. Your committee most earnestly

insist that the churches form compact fields for pastors, in so far as it is possible.

Respectfully submitted,
COMMITTEE.

Remarks were made on this report by M. L. Kesler, R. S. Green, Henry Sheets, Thomas Carrick, Archibald Johnson and Walter N. Johnson; then adopted.

V. M. Swaim and R. J. Hunt, of Pilot Mountain Association, were invited to seats.

Brother Archibald Johnson was requested to prepare a report on Woman's work.

Elder I. M. Mercer presents the following:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Why should the Baptists of North Carolina go on with the work of State Missions? I answer:

First, because of the debt as a denomination that we owe to this work. We outnumber by thousands every other denomination in the state and we have hundreds of churches all over the commonwealth,—a condition of strength and prosperity that we could never have attained to but for the work of State Missions so wisely organized and earnestly developed by our fathers in years past. Scores of our strongest, most liberal and most progressive churches of today were founded or fostered by our State Mission Board and our debt to this work is beyond all calculation.

Second, because of the wonderful prosperity and success that have attended this work, the evident smile of God and hand of God have been upon it through all the days. Year after year our people have gladly and increasingly given for this cause and the results have in like measure increased and multiplied, filling our hearts with gratitude and joy. Take for example the last report of our missionaries and how can we refrain from exclaiming "What hath God wrought?"

During the past year our missionaries supplied 441 churches and out-stations, preaching for them 13,541 sermons. They had in their meetings 3,835 professions and received into their churches by letter 2,302 persons and by baptism 3,687, making a total addition to our membership of nearly 6,000 people. They organized 15 new churches and completed 19 church buildings. They raised on these mission fields the following sums:

For Education, $759.50; for Ministerial Relief, $824.87; for Sunday Schools, $1,293.66; for Home Missions, $2,341.79; for Foreign Missions, $3,725.26; for the Orphanage, $3,907.20; for State Missions, $7,718.72; for other objects, $10,253.80; for Church Buildings, $26,743.37; for salaries, $39,447.46; a total of nearly $100,000.00. And inasmuch as the denomination expended for this work only a little over $50,000.00 it may be fairly said that there was an immediate return of nearly 200 per cent. on the investment. Think of it, on an annual expenditure of $52,000.00 for State Missions 3,835 souls saved, 6,000 persons brought into the churches, and nearly $100,000.00 put into the work of the Kingdom. Surely God's favor has been upon this work, and the very success of it ought not only to bring forth our thanksgivings but also stimulate us to press on in it with greater zeal and larger purposes.

In the third place, we must go on with State Missions because the work is not yet completed and the future is radiant with opportunities and rich in promises. There are thousands, yes, hundreds of thousands, of men and women in this State, who know not the

Lord, who are without God and without hope; there are yet communities and sections where the Word of God is not taught and the gospel but seldom heard. Until these communities have been evangelized and these thousands saved the work of State Missions must be unceasingly prosecuted. And when we think of the material and social and educational development everywhere in evidence in our State, when we see new industries and new communities springing up on every hand, our towns growing, our people prospering, and strangers coming from afar by thousands to help cultivate our fields, build our cities and enjoy with us these abundant blessings, when all these conditions mean for us unmeasured opportunities for soul-saving and for the building of the Lord's kingdom, when in all these things the Master is saying in thunder tones to the churches "Behold, I have set before you an open door", what response can we make but "Speak Lord, thy servants hear," and what else dare we do but press joyously on with the glorious work of State Missions throughout the length and breadth of our beloved state. I. M. MERCER.

After some remarks by Brother Mercer, he yielded the floor to our Corresponding Secretary, Walter N. Johnson, who was given all the time he might desire. Report was then adopted.

The committee appointed to nominate the Executive Committee, reported:

Your committee wish to recommend for your Executive Committee, the following brethren: R. S. Green, M. L. Kesler, C. M. Wall, A. S. Miller and P. V. Critcher.

L. W. HANSEL,
J. F. ROACH,
J. WALTER TUTTLE,

On motion, the report was carried.

Brother Archibald Johnson read this paper:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Our hearty co-operation and sympathy are due our women workers in the Liberty Association. They have set the pace in their consecrated and unselfish service in our mission work. They lead their churches in their offerings to missions, but the chief benefit of their organization is not the money they give but the strong and wholesome missionary sentiment they create. Our churches have felt the impulse of their fine enthusiasm, and have caught their spirit in some measure at least. In some of the churches the awakening in our missionary obligation is wholly due to the gentle influence of our good women.

And there are the children. A Sunbeam band blossoms out naturally from a Woman's Missionary Society, and the little ones breathe the spirit of Missions from their infancy. We bid our good women God speed in their great work.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

Motion to adopt was carried.

Brother L. A. Martin read the report given below:

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

The mere fact that the question of pastoral support has been placed on the programme as a theme for discussion is some evidence that it is disturbing the church and church people. The fact is, this has always been a burning subject, a real and living issue with all churches of all denominations everywhere.

Pastoral support in its full sense has a broad meaning; and, taking the words literally, they convey the idea of supporting our pastors with our prayers, our sympathy, our love, our fellowship and our means. Ordinarily we, as laymen, accept the meaning of the term pastoral support as giving only our worldly means, and I am frank to say that when Brother Johnson notified me that I was expected to make a report on this subject my first and only thought was that it related only to financing our pastors. But when we get into the subject and study it in all of its fullness it has a deeper meaning and one which opens the way for a broad construction.

Pastoral support means more than keeping the wolf from the preacher's door; it means more than lavishing our sympathy and love upon the pastor and his family. These are essential, but no one of these forms, standing alone, is adequate support for a pastor. There are churches whose pastors are well paid in dollars and cents but totally lacking in love, sympathy and fellowship; and, vice versa, we find churches whose membership is untiring in efforts to lavish sympathy and love upon the pastor and his cause, but permit him to almost become an object of charity in his community by reason of their failure to meet the financial obligations of the church. There are few, if any, pastors who are ever paid too much for their services. The trouble is that in our rural churches and in the churches of our small towns we pay our preachers too small a salary. Too often we force them to make sacrifices that none of us would accept or tolerate if heaped upon us. As a practical matter and as a business proposition with the Church of God a preacher is entitled to a liberal living and comfortable salary, and the church that fails to give its pastor this much is not living up to its obligation.

So, then, with the knowledge before us, and with actual observation of the conditions in our churches, we cannot fail to see our duty. We may shirk it—we do shirk it. I do, you do, indeed all of us, at times, are guilty of this sin of omission. We pay our church dues, go to church, take a comfortable seat and fan, listen to the sermon and then go home and satisfy, or try to satisfy, our consciences that we have paid our pastor and our God in full for another week. This, I say, is sometimes, yea oftentimes, our conception of pastoral support and our duty toward our God and His institutions.

No church of God and no servant of God can live on financial aid alone; and no church and no pastor can prosper in any community when the membership of that church depends upon its tithes and rests its hope upon the purse strings of its people. Indeed a church whose membership has no broader conception of its duty toward the pastor is leading a false life and will surely die, and ought to die. A pastor is to be treated as a human being, and as one who has human instincts, human desires and natural tendencies.

They have their trials and struggles, their sufferings and disappointments; they have moments of depression and heartaches, days and weeks of loneliness that we know nothing about. Their paths are strewn with obstacles and their sorrows are many. Oftentimes they go forth to battle alone, with no one to cheer them on save the guiding hand of God. We know that the true pastor is willing to wage his battle alone, but we know, too, that there are times when an expression of sympathy and a hearty hand shake sincerely given are worth more to him than all our silver and gold. There are times that he needs above everything else the strength that comes from the hearts of his congregation.

Then, in its final analysis, pastoral support is the giving over to our pastor such financial and moral support as will enable him to do his best in the Lord's Vineyard. We should cast nothing in his

way. The devil offers him pitfalls and obstacles; we should offer him a helping hand. We should brighten his way, lighten his burdens, helping him in all things, rejoicing with him in his victories, and sharing his sorrows and disappointments in defeat.

This most excellent report was spoken to by L. A. Martin, G. F. Hankins, M. L. Kesler and A. Johnson.

The motion to adopt was most heartily carried.
Brother F. B. Hamrick read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Georgia, is the great unifying and constructive agency of Southern Baptists. Its immense task is to help save the 18,000,000 people in the South who make no profession of religion and to educate, build up and enlist the two and one-half million church members.

To meet this need last year our Board maintained 1,409 missionaries who reported 43,792 baptisms with a total addition to the churches of 71,368. They organized 167 churches and 321 Sunday schools. In the Washington City campaign for Evangelism there were 700 additions to the white churches and 1,500 to the negro churches of that city. This is only one illustration of the method employed by the missionaries of the Board in a large number of other Southern cities with results equally as gratifying.

Southern Baptists (as Dr. Gray says) have the unenviable distinction of having more unhoused churches than any other Christian body in America. The Church Building Loan Fund is one of the most important phases of the work. There are 4,000 homeless congregations and the Board is trying as far as possible to supply that need. Southern Baptists are now endeavoring to raise a Church Building Loan Fund of a MILLION DOLLARS. This is one of our pressing needs.

Our chain of 34 mountain schools is doing splendid work. Here are some of the tangible results: 350 preachers, 300 lawyers, 225 doctors, 30 trained nurses, 30 missionaries, 2,500 public school teachers, 18 members of legislatures with over one thousand in business and a great host of mothers and fathers in happy homes. It is our hope that as the mountain schools serve their purpose that there will be combinations into fewer and larger schools and an extension of the work to our other denominational schools.

The Enlistment work of the Home Board co-operating with the various State Boards has been in operation for three years. During the past year an average of fifteen field workers has been doing work in eight states. The need of this work is immense and stands parallel with evangelism. "It is a task that requires more patient waiting than winning the lost. A soul may be saved in an hour but it takes years to develop that soul." Of the 24,500 Baptist churches in the South 20,000 are rural and about 16,000 meet for worship only once a month, 14,000 of which are without a resident pastor. The country churches of this association should give us no little concern.

The debt carried over from last year was $72,300.00 and the money that had to be borrowed this year up to the first of August runs it up to $100,000.00. Within the past five years the Liberty Association has received in round numbers $5,500.00 from this Board and we have been giving only a little more than the interest on this amount. For the present year the Convention has laid out the work on a scale of $438,750.00 to be raised by the churches in the seventeen states of the Southern Baptist Convention. North Carolina has been asked to raise $37,500.00.

Your committee would recommend:

(1) That the churches of the Liberty Association be asked to raise not less than $500 for the coming year in pledges or apportionment.

(2) That the pastors preach one yearly sermon on Home Missions and that all the churches and Sunday schools observe the annual Missionary Day.

(3) That our people be encouraged to use the free literature sent out by the Board, organize Mission Study classes and subscribe to and read our new missionary magazine which will hereafter be a combination of the Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field.

Respectfully submitted,

F. B. HAMRICK, for the Committee.

Brother Hamrick spoke on the above report being followed by Walter N. Johnson, after which, the report was adopted.

Bro. Archibald Johnson read the short incisive paper given below:

It is the sense of this body that one of the serious evils of our day is the growing disregard of the sacredness of the Sabbath day among our people. We deplore the turning of the Lord's day into a holiday, and we would utter our solemn protest against the tendency, especially since the advent of the automobile, of making the Sabbath a day of worldly pleasure.

Earnest remarks by Brethren Johnson and Mercer. It is a hopeful indication, that the above paper was enthusiastically adopted by a rising vote.

Without a motion, Brother I. M. Mercer asked to mention two things:

(1) How many of our churches have been praying God to raise up young ministers from their midst. He spoke earnestly and feelingly on the subject and pressed home this duty.

(2) Only 142 baptisms this year. Pray God to bring in souls by conversion to our churches, "Why not", said he, "242 instead." These things are not only worthy of the consideration of all our people, but duty demands our earnest prayers.

The Moderator appointed a committee of three, viz: Henry Sheets, I. M. Mercer and P. V. Critcher, whose duty it is to arrange a propramme for a fifth Sunday meeting—October next.

The Chairman of the Executive Board announced all points desiring aid from the Board of Missions, be present on Saturday and make application for aid.

Pastor I. M. Mercer offered the following:

Resolved, That this Association hereby extend to the Wallburg church and community our sincere thanks for the abundant delightful hospitality with which we have been entertained during this session of this body.

Every visitor present was glad for an opportunity to vote on this resolution, for the entertainment was indeed hospitable.

The Clerk is ordered to have 500 copies of these minutes printed for distribution among the churches; and that he be allowed $10.00 for his services.

The closing exercise was singing "God be with you till we meet again."

Thus ended a most harmonious session of Liberty Baptist Association.

Adjourned to meet with the church at Smith Grove on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1917.

O. A. KELLER, Moderator.

HENRY SHEETS, Clerk.

PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Total.
Abbott's Creek	$20.62	$ 7.50	$17.50	$ 6.25	$31.25	$ 6.25	$ 5.62	$ 94.99
Center Hill	13.75	4.37	11.87	2.75	8.75	3.12	4.37	48.98
Denton	38.16	15.84	32.88	2.74	29.54	2.05	2.02	123.23
Gravel Hill	11.25	6.87	10.62	1.37	12.50	2.50	2.50	47.61
Holloway's	27.50	10.00	31.25	2.75	25.00	6.87	6.87	110.24
Huldah	3.12	3.12	3.75	1.20	3.75	1.25	1.25	17.44
Jersey	34.37	13.75	33.75	4.12	31.25	11.25	8.10	136.59
Lexington	125.00	50.00	93.75	15.00	62.50	13.75	13.75	373.75
Liberty	7.25	7.50	16.25	1.37	13.75	3.12	3.12	52.36
Lick Creek	13.75	8.75	27.50	2.75	31.25	5.00	5.00	94.00
New Friendship	21.87	8.75	16.25	3.43	25.00	5.00	4.37	84.67
Oak Grove	6.25	2.50	2.50	1.25	6.25	1.25	1.25	21.25
Oak Hill	12.50	6.87	6.87	1.25	7.50	2.50	2.50	39.99
Orphanage	93.75	50.00	96.25	6.87	125.00	33.75	13.75	419.37
Pine M. House	34.37	15.00	36.25	2.75	37.25	6.87	6.87	139.36
Reed's X Roads	20.62	12.50	27.50	2.75	25.00	7.50	7.50	103.37
Rich Fork	18.75	11.25	16.25	2.75	22.50	5.62	4.37	81.49
Smith Grove	7.50	3.75	4.37	1.37	25.00	3.75	2.50	48.25
Stoner's Grove	50.00	25.75	30.22	13.41	41.09	7.88	5.98	174.33
Summerville	3.75	1.87	3.75	1.25	5.00	2.18	1.87	19.67
Taylor's Grove	3.75	1.87	3.12	.68	6.25	1.87	1.87	19.41
Thomasville	96.87	56.25	100.00	15.00	100.00	15.00	11.25	394.37
Wallburg	87.50	43.75	81.25	6.87	75.00	11.25	10.62	316.24
Walter's Grove	3.75	2.50	3.75	1.25	6.25	1.25	1.25	20.00
Welcome	3.12	3.75	6.87	1.25	6.25	1.25	1.25	23.74
Total	759.12	374.06	714.32	102.43	762.88	172.08	130.84	3015.73

COMMITTEES TO WRITE REPORTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

State Missions ..... Henry Sheets
Foreign Missions ..... I. M. Mercer.
Home Missions ..... Thomas Carrick.
Sunday Schools ..... A. Johnson.
Orphanage ..... Fred D. Hale.
Biblical Recorder ..... W. C. Smith.
Education ..... J. M. Click.
Ministerial Relief ..... R. S. Green.
Pastoral Support ..... P. V. Critcher.
State of Churches ..... M. L. Kesler.
Our Urgent Needs ..... Open Discussion.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL.

CHURCH.	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE.	Time of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.	Gains.			Losses.			Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
					By Baptism.	By Letter.	By Restoration.	By Letter.	By Exclusion.	By Death.			
Abbott's Creek	Thos. Carrick, High Point	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	Third	$ 1,000	2	....	....	3	....	2	67	109	176
Center Hill	Henry Sheets, Lexington	Ray S. Smith, Lexington	First	2,000	....	2	1	....	1	1	67	113	180
Denton	No Pastor reported	L. A. Tysinger, Denton	2nd, 4th	2,000	3	....	....	6	....	....	59	77	136
Gravel Hill	W. C. Smith, High Point	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	Third	500	....	....	....	....	1	1	23	27	50
Holloway's	Henry Sheets, Lexington	P. R. Cross, High Rock	Second	1,000	5	....	....	1	2	2	74	126	200
Huldah	No report	Last year	.....	600	....	....	....	....	....	....	27	38	65
Jersey	Henry Sheets, Lexington	L. A. Smith, Linwood	Third	2,500	11	2	....	4	....	2	63	93	156
Lexington	Fred D. Hale, Lexington	P. V. Critcher, Lexington	Every	40,000	74	82	1	21	4	5	178	286	464
Liberty	O. A. Keller, Wallburg	H. P. May, Hannersville	Third	1,000	....	....	....	21	61	2	33	67	100
Lick Creek	No report	Last year	Fourth	1,500	....	....	....	....	....	....	52	75	127
New Friendship	V. M. Swaim, Winston-Salem	R. F. Charles, Winston-Salem	Fourth	3,000	1	....	....	....	....	3	48	75	123
Oak Grove	E. A. Long, Winston-Salem	Ben Johnson, Winston-Salem	Fourth	600	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	5	8
Orphanage	I. M .Mercer, Thomasville	.....	.....	.....	14	34	....	40	....	....	78	194	272
Pine M. House	J. F. Carter, Mocksville	Edwin Rickard, Linwood	Fourth	1,000	5	5	2	4	4	1	84	110	194
Reed's X Roads	J. F. Carter, Mocksville	D. C. Craver, Lexington	First	2,000	8	3	....	....	....	2	66	91	157
Rich Fork	I. M. Mercer, Thomasville	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Fourth	1,800	6	....	....	3	....	....	50	89	139
Smith Grove	W. C. Smith, High Point	L. T. Yarbrough, Salisbury	First	1,400	....	....	2	6	3	....	42	51	93
Stoner's Grove	Forest C. Freezor, Linwood	J. D. Lookabill, Southmont	1st, 3rd	2,000	9	2	....	....	....	2	48	52	100
Summerville	C. L. Taylor, Denton	E. D. Bean, High Point	.....	1,000	5	....	....	....	....	1	44	91	135
Taylor's Grove	W. R. Russell, Albemarle	D. M. Summey, Chandler	Second	1,000	....	....	....	1	....	....	4	11	15
Thomasville	I. M. Mercer, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	1, 2, 3, 4	15,000	8	10	....	5	2	4	76	137	213
Wallburg	O. A. Keller, Wallburg	J. E. Mottsinger, Wallburg	2nd, 4th	4,000	....	1	....	5	2	....	65	81	146
Walter's Grove	No report	.....	.....	300	....	....	....	....	....	....	16	30	46
Welcome	O. A. Keller, Wallburg	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	Fourth	2,800	1	3	....	....	....	....	27	25	52
Total	.....	.....	.....	117,900	151	144	6	120	80	28	1294	2053	3347

TABLE II—FINANCIAL.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	Minute Fund.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	Total.
Abbott's Creek	$ 150.00	$.....	$27.00	$20.00	$.....	$ 1.50	$16.50	$ 7.50	$14.00	$ 5.00	$49.00	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	$.....	$.....	$301.00
Center Hill	100.00	.....	9.00	6.71	.....	2.00	12.00	5.00	17.97	4.02	8.75	1.60	3.26	.....	20.00	190.31
Denton	.....	150.00	50.00	47.07	.....	2.00	23.26	22.60	24.38	3.50	14.23	3.75	2.50	3.40	5.08	360.95
Gravel Hill	150.00	8.00	.....	9.00	.....	1.00	2.66	2.64	2.60	.....	4.05	1.67	.....	.....	.....	180.62
Holloway's	150.00	.....	.50	6.50	.....	1.50	27.50	8.04	17.22	.....	22.27	5.00	5.43	.....	20.50	263.96
Huldah—No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	175.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.80	22.50	11.00	25.00	.....	25.00	6.00	3.50	.....	53.30	324.10
Lexington	1440.00	594.16	225.26	171.08	31.30	4.00	104.70	110.20	155.05	4.87	152.26	20.00	.....	.....	45.23	3058.11
Liberty	125.00	.....	18.01	6.15	.....	1.10	6.25	7.50	16.75	1.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	195.76
Lick Creek—No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Friendship	150.00	.....	15.00	6.87	.....	1.60	8.50	8.75	5.25	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	215.97
Oak Grove	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.25	.....	1.00	.....	.....	33.75
Oak Hill—No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	500.00	104.67	1.50	104.59	.....	3.00	114.46	114.19	183.80	5.93	239.88	59.39	18.95	31.27	178.81	1660.35
Pine M. House	150.00	.....	26.75	59.27	.....	.....	26.09	16.00	36.36	.....	23.00	.....	.....	.....	28.00	365.47
Reed's X Roads	120.00	.....	25.00	20.00	.....	1.50	5.50	10.25	11.10	2.50	25.75	2.75	.....	.....	25.00	223.50
Rich Fork	100.00	.....	30.00	19.25	.....	1.00	11.00	5.11	13.00	2.15	21.00	2.50	3.15	.....	.....	208.76
Smith Grove	100.00	.....	.....	7.12	.....	1.25	5.61	3.78	4.42	.....	15.61	2.07	1.65	5.00	.....	145.26
Stoner's Grove	225.00	.....	39.67	32.00	.....	2.65	50.02	25.77	35.28	14.44	60.12	7.92	6.00	.....	67.26	560.13
Summerville	65.00	.....	.....	2.70	.....	1.00	2.96	2.96	2.96	.....	1.84	.....	.....	.....	.....	76.42
Taylor's Grove	35.00	.....	.....	1.50	.....	.....	2.50	2.00	1.50	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	46.50
Thomasville	512.50	704.00	273.18	140.82	24.39	3.50	100.27	54.18	80.17	11.05	207.33	.....	10.00	15.00	270.45	2406.84
Wallburg	265.00	2000.00	.60	58.00	.....	2.70	81.50	44.00	55.00	8.25	55.00	10.00	8.75	.....	.....	2589.10
Walter's Grove—No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Welcome	76.50	.....	.....	8.00	.....	1.00	5.59	2.00	2.00	.....	5.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	101.09
Total	4537.50	3560.83	741.47	726.63	55.69	35.60	629.37	462.87	703.81	62.71	976.34	129.65	70.69	54.67	716.63	13521.02

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCH.	SUPERINTENDENT AND POSTOFFICE.	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open.	Baptisms from School.	School Expenses.	Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions.
Abbott's Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	Gray Seward, High Point	1	7	75	82	40	12	1	$20.00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 20.00
Center Hill	J. L. Bowers, Lexington	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	1	10	59	69	36	10	....	6.71	4.02	.....	.....	10.73
Denton	U. A. Hedrick, Denton	Marvin Gallimore, Denton	1	7	120	127	....	12	....	38.57	3.50	.....	.....	47.07
Gravel Hill	W. D. Loftin, Riley's Store	J. M. Vuncanon, Riley's Store	1	7	91	97	39	12	....	9.00	.....	10.00	.....	10.00
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, High Rock	D. R. Beamblossom, High Rock	1	7	....	....	40	12	1	6.50	.....	2.00	.....	8.50
Huldah	No report		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	R. B. Snider, Linwood	1	9	88	97	49	12	3	14.64	2.50	5.16	26.00	48.30
Lexington	R. T. Brown, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	1	20	350	370	213	12	57	171.08	41.03	152.26	45.23	409.60
Liberty	S. H. Kindley, Thomasville	Ola Hepler, Hannersville	1	7	50	57	25	12	....	5.15	.....	10.00	.....	15.15
Lick Creek	No report from church	Last year.	1	7	53	60	27	6	....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	4.00
New Friendship	No school reported	Last year.	1	4	58	62	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oak Grove	C. A. Brendle, Winston-Salem	Ash Johnson, Winston-Salem	1	5	30	35	8	12	....	7.25	.....	7.25	.....	14.50
Oak Hill	No report		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Orphanage	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	Thad Hathcock, Thomasville.	1	33	443	476	249	12	14	104.59	85.56	3.63	60.98	254.76
Pine M. House	Elwin Rickard, Linwood	Carrie Barnes, Linwood	2	16	356	372	....	12	3	59.27	.....	.....	.....	59.27
Reed's X Roads	Arlie Myers, Lexington	A. B. Craver, Lexington	1	8	132	140	....	12	2	20.00	2.50	.....	3.50	26.00
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Jessie Kennedy, Thomasville.	1	9	216	225	50	12	....	19.25	2.75	6.00	.....	28.00
Smith Grove	C. F. Simmerson, Jubilee, R. 1	S. R. Simerson, Jubilee, R. 1	1	10	102	112	41	12	....	7.12	5.00	.....	.....	12.22
Stoner's Grove	J. D. Lookabill, Southmont	J. E. Wall, Southmont	1	8	80	88	....	12	9	32.00	32.19	40.10	31.42	135.71
Summerville	Early Gallimore, Denton, R. 1	J. H. C. Thompson, Denton, R. 1	1	7	30	37	20	12	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Taylor's Grove	A. H. Michael, Chandler	John Owen, Chandler	1	4	30	34	10	6	....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	1.50
Thomasville	Whitfield Cobb, Thomasville	J. F. Marlow, Thomasville	3	27	586	613	150	12	8	140.82	13.70	139.86	37.88	332.26
Wallburg	C. M. Wall, Wallburg	E. E. Jenkins, Wallburg	1	9	110	119	50	12	....	50.00	6.17	10.00	120.37	186.54
Walter's Grove	No report	Last year	1	4	45	49	....	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Welcome	W. S. Disher, Lexington	John Leonard, Welcome	1	9	95	104	....	9	1	8.00	.....	.....	.....	8.00
Total			26	234	3199	3433	1047	....	101	740.95	199.02	386.26	325.38	1622,11

CONSTITUTION OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

1st. This Association shall be called the Liberty Baptist Association.

2nd. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers who are members of, and those who may have pastoral charges within the associational district, and of three delegates from each church in the district aforesaid.

3rd. The said delegates before taking their seats shall produce letters from their respective churches, showing their appointment as delegates.

4th. The associational session shall be held at least once a year.

5th. The officers shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.

6th. The Moderator shall be chosen annually, but the Clerk shall continue in office at the pleasure of the Association.

7th. The association shall be clothed with authority only to advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interest, but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in reference to their own government or internal polity.

8th. A committee of arrangements, consisting of three members, shall be appointed on the first day of each session to prepare and report an order of proceedings; and to suggest topics proper for the consideration and action of the Association; and the said committee shall report promptly on the morning of the second day of the Association

9th. (As amended) Baptist ministers, not members of the Association, or any visiting brother from sister Associations, who may be present at any session of the body, may, on invitation, of the body, take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.

10th. At each session of the Association there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of five, three of whom shall constitute a quorum, whose duty it shall be to superintend, and in conjunction with the Missionary Boards of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, direct the missionary operation of this Association.

11th. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

12th. This constitution may be altered only at an annual session of this Association and by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The Association shall meet punctually each day at the hour appointed, and on the presence of a quorum, the Moderator shall cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read.

2nd. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions or points of order, subject to an appeal from his decisions to the Association.

3rd. The Moderator shall be entitled to vote in case of an equal division of the Association.

4th. He shall not participate in debate except on points of order, unless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall have called another members to the chair.

5th. Members shall in debate, or on rising to make a motion, address themselves to the Moderator.

6th. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall designate the person who shall first occupy the floor.

7th. No member shall absent himself from the session of the Association without its leave.

8th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain day, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence to the order in which they stand here arrayed.

9th. All committees, unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of three members only.

10th. A committee shall be appointed on the first day of every session to designate ministers to preach during the session of the Association.

11th. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Moderator, unless it receive a second.

12th. No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the body.

13th. No member shall speak more than twice on any question unless by consent of the Association.

14th. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read publicly in the Association on the second day of the session.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

TENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

The Tenth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of Liberty Association assembled in the Baptist Church of Holloway's on Wednesday morning, August the 23rd, at 10.30 o'clock.

Mrs. P. S. Vann, of Lexington, Superintendent of the Association, called the body to order, after which all joined in singing "Stand up for Jesus." The devotional exercises were led by the Superintendent, her theme being Fellowship and Christian Love.

Prayer offered by Mrs. J. J. Roddick, of Winston-Salem.

The body was then called to order for a business session by Mrs. P. S. Vann, of Lexington.

Mrs. W. Johnson, of the Holloway's church, extended a cordial welcome, which was responded to in a feeling way by Mrs. R. S. Green, of Thomasville, N. C.

Song, "I Love to Tell the Story."

We then had the enrollment of delegates. It was gratifying to know that with one exception every Woman's Missionary Society in the Association was represented and that a good majority of the Sunbeam Bands either by delegates or letters.

This was followed by the reading of the Associational letters and a five minute talk by the bearer of the letter in which she stated the things that had been the most helpful to their society during the past year.

Mrs. J. J. Roddick, of Winston-Salem, gave a strong talk on the things that compose the foundation of Woman's work.

The Standard of Excellence for the Association was read. This was followed by a short discussion led by Mrs. P. S. Vann. The following standard of excellence was adopted:

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE.

1. At least twelve regular meetings a year with a devotional exercise and a definite missionary program.
2. An increase in membership during the year of at least ten per cent. of the number enrolled at the beginning of the year until all eligible members are enlisted.
3. An increase of gifts to missions of not less than ten per cent. of the preceding year's contributions to similar objects.
4. Regular reports to State Officers each quarter of the year.
5. One of the denominational magazines or a Calendar of Prayer, subscribed for in at least half of the homes represented in the Missionary Society, the ultimate aim, being one in every home.
6. Observance of the special seasons of prayer for State, Home and Foreign Missions.
7. At least one Mission Study Class during the year.
8. An average attendance at regular meetings of a number equal to one-half of the membership.
9. Some definite, organized Personal Service rendered regularly to those of your own community in spiritual or physical need.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Miss Roxie Sheets of Lexington, her report was presented and read by Mrs. J. K. Hankins of Lexington. Same was adopted.

Announcements.

Hymn, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone."

Adjourned with prayer by Mrs. R. S. Green.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

The session was opened at 1:30 with singing, "Revive Us Again."

Miss Pauline Olive, of Thomasville, read II John 4, which was followed by a prayer led by Miss Olive.

Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The chair announced the following committees:

Personal Service—Mrs. Lee Palmer, Miss Troy Sharpe, Miss Sallie McCracken.

Obituaries—Miss Vallie Cross, Mrs. L. F. Barr.

Apportionment—Mrs. P. S. Vann.

Time and Place—Mrs. A. E. Warner, Mrs. C. M. Wall, Mrs. W. Johnson, Mrs. Ira Sharpe, Mrs. J. K. Hankins.

Resolutions—Mrs. J. M. Cheek, Miss Pauline Olive.

Personal Service—Mrs. A. E. Warfford, Miss Tela Beanblossom, Mrs. J. K. Hankins.

Nominations—Mrs. R. S. Green, Mrs. B. R. Cross, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, Mrs. C. H. Baugh, Miss Vallie Cross.

Mrs. P. S. Vann, chairman of the Committee on Apportionment, submitted the following which was received, Mrs. R. S. Green, of Thomasville, presiding.

REPORT OF APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE FOR YEAR 1916-'17

The Committee on Apportionment reported as follows:

We, the Committee on Apportionment, recommend that the Association take as its moneyed for 1916-1917 the sum of $750.00 for Missions to be apportioned among the Societies as follows:

Denton W. M. S.	$ 45.00
Holloway's W. M. S.	40.00
Jersey W. M. S.	28.00
Lexington W. M. S.	128.00
Liberty W. M. S.	5.00
Orphanage W. M. S.	240.00
Reed's W. M. S.	5.00
Stoner's Grove W. M. S.	35.00
Thomasville W. M. S.	150.00
Wallburg W. M. S.	40.00
Total	$ 716.00

Sunbeams.

Denton Sunbeams	2.00
Holloway Sunbeams	5.00
Lexington Sunbeams	20.00
Reed's Sunbeams	3.00
Stoner's Grove	5.00
Thomasville Sunbeams	10.00
Wallburg Sunbeams	20.00
Total	$ 65.00

Royal Ambassadors.

Lexington Royal Ambassadors	10.00
Lexington Girls' Auxiliary	4.00
Grand total	$ 795.00

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. P. S. VANN, for Committee.

A most interesting paper on Present Day Activities on the Foreign Field was read and discussed by Mrs. C. H. Baugh, of Thomasville Orphanage Society.

Open Discussion.

Chain of prayer for our foreign missionaries, led by Mrs. J. J. Roddick.

The Louisville Training School—The Heck Memorial Chapel was discussed by Miss Pauline Olive, of Thomasville.

We then had a discussion on our Associational Library, the discussion being led by Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, of Denton. Quite a number discussed the merits of the library, the most helpful books, the length of time the library should be kept by each society, etc.

Junior Conference led by Mrs. J. M. Cheek, of Wallburg.

Sunbeam Song—by all Sunbeams in the assembly.

Method used in Sunbeam Work, by Mrs. J. M. Cheek.

Ways of Carrying on Royal Ambassador Chapters, by Mrs. L. F. Barr, of Lexington.

Y. W. A. Work—led by Miss Pauline Olive.

Round table discussion of Junior Work.

Adjourned with prayer by Mrs. J. K. Hankins.

WEDNESDAY EVENING—7:30.

Annual sermon by Dr. M. L. Kessler, of the Thomasville Orphanage.

THURSDAY MORNING—AUGUST 24th.

The Union was called to order at 9:30 and engaged in devotional exercises, conducted by Mrs. W. H. Johnson, of Holloway's.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The following committees submitted reports:

Obituary report. Received and adopted.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, from henceforth, yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors. And their works do follow them."

Jersey Society—Mrs. Z. T. Sharpe.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS VALLIE CROSS,
MRS. L. F. BARR.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

The Committee on Time and Place for the next annual meeting, recommend the third week in September with the Thomasville Baptist Church.

MRS. C. M. WALL,
MRS. A. E. WARNER,
MRS. WILL JOHNSON,
MRS. IRA SHARPE,
MRS. J. K. HANKINS.

Adopted by rising vote.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

It is the duty and pleasure of the Committee on Resolutions, in behalf of the Woman's Missionary Union, to express its gratitude and appreciation of all courtesies extended during its session. Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express our gratitude and thanks to the ladies of the Holloway's church for their royal welcome and entertainment.

2. To the people of the Holloway's church for their constant hospitality and their courtesy in conveying us to and from the station and for the lovely lunches served at the church.

3. We wish especially to thank Mrs. J. J. Roddick, Superintendent of the Pilot Mountain Association for her presence among us, and the inspirational messages given us. Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. M. CHEEK,
For Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Mrs. R. S. Green, of Thomasville, was called to the chair during the Report of the Nominating Committee.

We, the members of the Nominating Committee, do submit the following report:

For Superintendent—Mrs. P. S. Vann.
Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. J. M. Cheek.
Y. W. A. Superintendent—Miss Pauline Olive.
Sunbeam Superintendent—Mrs. J. M. Cheek.
Executive Committee—Mrs. J. K. Hankins, Mrs. I. M. Mercer, Mrs. C. M. Wall.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. R. S. GREEN,
MRS. B. R. CROSS,
MRS. U. A. HEDRICK,
MRS. C. H. BAUGH,
MISS VALLIE CROSS.

The officers were asked to stand, each making a short response.

Ideals for our Association—Mrs. R. S. Green.
Bible Reading—Mrs. P. S. Vann.

The Circle Plan was fully discussed by Mrs. A. E. Warner, of Thomasville. This was discussed briefly by Mrs. J. J. Roddick, and other ladies.

The closing minutes were devoted to a devotional service conducted by Mrs. J. J. Roddick using II Cor. 4. She added a word of encouragement to the Union and urged that we take a step forward each year.

After prayer by Mrs. J. J. Roddick, the Superintendent declared the tenth annual session of the Womans' Missionary Union of the Liberty Association adjourned.

MRS. P. S. VANN,
Associational Superintendent.

MRS. J. M. CHEEK,
Recording Secretary.

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Denton—
W. M. S.—Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, Mrs. Russel, Mrs. G. Hedrick.
Sunbeams represented by letter.

Holloway's—
W. M. S.—Mrs. D. R. Beanblossom, Miss Vallie Cross, Miss Tela Beanblossom.
Sunbeams—Miss Della Beanblossom, Miss S. Cross.

Jersey—
W. M. S.—Mrs. Ira Sharpe, Mrs. Lee Palmer, Miss Troy Sharpe, Mrs. M. C. Snider, Mrs. Willie Smith, Mrs. O. L. Cates.

Lexington—
W. M. S.—Mrs. J. K. Hankins, Mrs. L. F. Barr
Sunbeams—Miss Eugenia Webster.

Orphanage—
W. M. S.—Mrs. C. H. Baugh, Miss Sallie McCracken, Miss Pauline Olive.

Reeds—
W. M. S.—Mrs. Albert Craver.

Stoner's Grove—
W. M. S.—Mrs. S. E. Warfford.

Thomasville—
W. M. S.—Mrs. R. S. Green, Mrs. A. E. Warner.

Wallburg—
W. M. S.—Mrs. C. M. Wall, Mrs. J. M. Cheek.
Sunbeams—Iola Wall, Mary Wall.

The following report will show the contributions from the different societies during the year:

FINANCIAL TABLE—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Denton—

Foreign Missions	$ 15.75
Home Missions	21.85
State Missions	8.65
Orphanage	10.55
Progress Fund	.60
Other objects	44.20
Total	$ 101.60

No. members 12. Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, President; Mrs. Mary Davis, Secretary and Treasurer.

Holloway's—

Foreign Missions	$ 9.00
Home Missions	10.50
State Missions	9.00
Other objects	1.40
Total	$ 29.90

No. members 26. Mrs. D. R. Beanblossom, President; Miss Vida Dickens, Secretary; Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Treasurer.

Jersey—

Foreign Missions	$ 13.00
Home Missions	6.05
State Missions	8.85
Other objects	4.37
Total	$ 32.27

No. members 21. Mrs. R. L. Palmer, President; Miss Troy Sharpe, Secretary; Mrs. R. A. Tate, Treasurer.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 76.20
Home Missions	47.20
State Missions	25.35
Other objects	25.00
Total	$ 173.75

No. members 44. Miss Roxie Sheets, President; Mrs. E. G. Hunt, Secretary; Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Treasurer.

Liberty—

No. members 15. This Society was organized in June, 1916. Mrs. Ella Hepler, President; Miss Olivia Miller, Secretary.

Orphanage—

Foreign Missions	$ 176.51
Home Missions	76.89
State Missions	52.05

Orphanage	143.91
Other objects	160.06
Progress Fund	2.00
Total	$ 611.42

Mrs. C. H. Baugh, Vice-President; Miss Sallie L. McCracken, Secretary and Treasurer.

Reed's X Roads—

Foreign Missions	$ 3.00
Home Missions	.....
State Missions	.....

No. members ——. Mrs. J. R. Craver, President.

Stoner's Grove—

Foreign Missions	$ 5.40
Home Missions	2.40
State Missions	15.00
Total	$ 22.80

No. members 15. Miss Fannie Long, President; Mrs. S. E. Warford, Secretary and Treasurer.

Thomasville—

Foreign Missions	$ 55.30
Home Missions	47.06
State Missions	60.51
Progress Fund	1.40
Total	$ 164.27

No. members 28. Mrs. R. S. Green, President; Mrs. C. F. Lambeth, Secretary; Mrs. Archibald Johnson, Treasurer.

Wallberg—

Foreign Missions	$ 6.30
Home Missions	15.30
State Missions	6.15
Other objects	130.00
Total	$ 157.75

No. members 12. Mrs. Jno. M. Cheek, President; Mrs. O. A. Keller, Secretary and Treasurer.

FINANCIAL TABLE—SUNBEAM BANDS.

Holloways—

Foreign Missions	$ 1.22
Home Missions	1.07
State Missions	.70
Total	$ 2.99

No members 28. Miss Esther Cross, Leader; Miss Ola Beanblossom, President; Miss Essie Collins, Secretary; Miss Elva Crook, Treasurer.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 2.00
Home Missions	6.00
State Missions	3.25
Total	$ 11.25

No. members ——. Mrs. Preston S. Vann, Leader; Mozelle Conrad, President; Elizabeth Hale, Secretary; Girleta Warfford, Treas.

Reed's X Roads—

Foreign Missions	$ .40
Home Missions	.65
State Missions	.54
Progress Fund	.50
	$ 2.09

No. members 30. Mrs. Alda Craver, Leader; Vivian Craver, President; Hattie Craver, Secretary; Ralph Craver, Treasurer.

Thomasville—

Foreign Missions	$ 5.67
Home Missions	6.82
State Missions	4.08
Total	$ 16.57

No. members 29. Mrs. Chas. F. Lambeth, Leader; Carolyn Mercer, President; Master Lonnie Dickens, Secretary.

Wallburg—

Foreign Missions	$ 3.50
Home Missions	6.98
State Missions	3.50
Other objects	15.00
Total	$ 28.98

No. members 36. Miss Netta Liles, Leader; Mary Wall, President; Master Willard Check, Secretary.

FINANCIAL TABLE.—ROYAL AMBASSADORS.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 2.50
Home Missions	4.48
State Missions	3.25
Total	$ 10.23

No. members 23. Mrs. Lorraine F. Barr, Leader; Master Edwin Turnley, President; Master Clyde Hunt, Secretary; Master Jonas Bishop, Treasurer.

GIRLS' AUXILIARY.

Lexington—		
Foreign Missions	$	1.00
Home Missions		2.00
State Missions		1.50
Total	$	4.50

No. members 12. Mrs. P. S. Vann, Leader; Miss Cornelia Conrad, President; Miss Elga Miller, Secretary; Miss Mabel Hunt, Treasurer.

Grand total			$1373.37
Contributed as follows:			
Woman's Missionary Societies	$1296.76		
Sunbeams	61.88		
Royal Ambassadors	10.23		
Girls' Auxiliary	4.50	—$	1373.37

MRS. PRESTON S. VANN, President.
MRS. JOHN M. CHEEK, Secretary,
Woman's Work of Liberty Association.

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CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

1st. This Association shall be called the Liberty Baptist Association.

2nd. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers who are members of, and those who may have pastoral charges within the Associational district, and of three delegates from each church in the district aforesaid.

3rd. The said delegates before taking their seats shall produce letters from their respective churches, showing their appointment as delegates.

4th. The Associational session shall be held at least once a year.

5th. The officers shall be Moderator, Vice Moderator and Clerk-Treasurer.

The Moderator and Vice Moderator shall be chosen annually, but the Clerk-Treasurer shall continue in office at the pleasure of the Association.

7th. The Association shall be clothed with authority only to advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interest, but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in reference to their own government or internal policy.

8th. A program committee, consisting of three members shall be appointed at each session, to prepare and report an order of proceedings; and to suggest topics proper for the consideration and action of the Association; and the said committee shall make its report on the first day of the succeeding session.

9th. Baptist ministers, not members of the Association, or any visiting brother from sister Associations, who may be present at any session of the body, may, on invitation of the body, take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.

10th. At each session of the Association there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of five, three of whom shall constitute a quorum, whose duty it shall be to superintend, and in conjunction with the Missionary Board of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, direct the missionary operations of this Association. The Moderator shall be ex-officio a member of this committee.

11th. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

12th. This Constitution may be altered only at an annual session of this Association and by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body present.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. This Association shall meet punctually each day at the hour appointed, and on the appearance of a quorum, which shall consist of the messengers from five of the churches, the Moderator shall cause the minutes of the preceeding day to be read.

2nd. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions on points of order, subject to an appeal from his decision to the Association.

3rd. The Moderator shall be entitled to vote only in case of an equal division of the Association.

4th. He shall not participate in debate except on points of order, unless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall have called another member to the chair.

5th. Members shall in debate, or on rising to make a motion, address themselves to the Moderator

6th. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall designate the person who shall first occupy the floor.

7th. No member shall absent himself from the session of the Association without its leave.

8th. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand here arrayed.

9th. All committees unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of three members only.

10th. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Moderator, unless it receive a second.

11. No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the body.

12th. No member shall speak more than twice on any question unless by consent of the Association.

LIST OF ORDAINED MISTERS

J. M. Hilliard ..... High Point N. C.
J. S. Hardaway D. D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler D. D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
B. C. Ingram ..... Thomasville, N. C.
W. L. Barrs ..... Cooleemee, N. C.
F. C. Feezor ..... Linwood, N. C.
V. M. Swaim ..... Winston-Salem, N. C.
R. E. White ..... Lexington, N. C.
J. C. Gillespie ..... Norwood, N. C.
Floyd W. Frye ..... Mocksville, N. C.
C L. Taylor ..... Denton, N. C.
W. R. Russell ..... Albemarle, N. C.
G. C. Kirksey ..... Wallburg, N. C.
C. E. Crissman ..... High Point, N. C.
Hoyle Love ..... Denton, N. C.
L. M. Holloway ..... Southmont, N. C.
J. T. Gillespie ..... Linwood, N. C.
J. D. Newton ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Jeff Lanning ..... Denton, N. C.

CHURCH APPORTIONMENTS

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Liberty association the following apportionment of the 75 million fund was made with the hope that the churches of the association will accept them:

Abbots Creek	$600	a	year	or	$3000.00
Center Hill	400	"	"	"	2000.00
Churchland	600	"	"	"	3000.00
Denton	600	"	"	"	3000.00
Erlanger	600	"	"	"	3000.00
Gravel Hill	200	"	"	"	1000.00
Holloways	400	"	"	"	2000.00
Huldah	100	"	"	"	500.00
Jersey	600	"	"	"	3000.00
Lexington	2000	"	"	"	10000.00
Liberty	400	"	"	"	2000.00
Lick Creek	600	"	"	"	3000.00
New Friendship	200	"	"	"	1000.00
Oak Grove	100	"	"	"	500.00
Oak Hill	100	"	"	"	500.00
Orphanage	1100	"	"	"	5500.00
Reeds	400	"	"	"	2000.00
Rich Fork	200	"	"	"	1000.00
Smith Grove	200	"	"	"	1000.00
Stoners Grove	800	"	"	"	4000.00
Summerville	200	"	"	"	1000.00
Taylors Grove	100	"	"	"	500.00
Thomasville	1200	"	"	"	6000.00
Wallburg	800	"	"	"	4000.00
Walters Grove	100	"	"	"	500.00
Welcome	200	"	"	"	1000.00

The association is asked to raise $75,000 but since last May about $17,000 has been paid in which will leave a safe margin for failure on the part of some of the churches to come up with their share.

PROCEEDINGS

The 86th session of the Liberty Baptist association met with the Denton Baptist church on Tuesday Sept 9th at 9:30 o'clock.

The devotional exercises were conducted by J. S. Hardaway.

The bodv was called to order by moderator R. S. Green and the roll of churches was called, a majority answering to their names.

ENROLLMENT OF DELEGATES

Abbots Creek—N. R. Teague, D. S. Hayworth, J. R. Philips.

Center Hill—A. V. Miller, Hugh Miller, Hubert Smith, J. L. Bowers.

Churchland—R. K. Williams, S. E. Simerson, L. E. Rickard.

Denton—W. B. Russell, W. T. Tysinger, E. B. Morris.

Erlanger—J. W. Aycock, T. B. Bland.

Gravel Hill—W. A. Russell, T. H. Davis.

Holloways—J. W. Dickens, T. G. Briggs, D. R. Beanblossom, G. C. Palmer.

Huldah—Not represented.

Jersey—L. A. Smith, D. C. Sharpe, O. F. Tate.

Lexington—G. W. Miller, H. C. Myers, G. F. Hankins, A. E. Sheets, Miss Velna Tate.

Liberty T. G. Kindley, A. S. Miller, C. O. Hepler, H. P. May.

Lick Creek—P. M. Snider, B.C. Cole, W.A. Reid, W.S. Carrick.

New Friendship—Eugene Snider, Erastus Swaim, Austin Newcome.

Oak Grove—Ash Johnson, C. A. Brendel.

Oak Hill—Represented by letter

Orphanage—M. L. Kesler, F. B. Hamrick G. L. Merrill, B. F. Crutchfield.

Reeds—J. N. Myers, C. H. Fritts, L. A. Myers. Clyde Snider.

Rich Fork—Robt. Bowers, Stimp Everhart, J. W. Kennedy, O. L. Bowers.

Smith Grove—L. T. Yarborough, G. A. Clement.

Stoners Grove—S. E. Warfford, L. C. Lomax, C. C. Wrenn, J. D. Lookabill.

Summerville—Early Gallimore, John Gallimore, Edney Bean.

Taylor's Grove—A. A. Michael, D. M. Summey, Ira Bailey, Miss Grace Bailey.

Thomasville—R. S. Green, L. E. Teague W. H. Elliott, Archibald Johnson.

Wallburg—C. M. Wall, E.E. Jenkins, G.C. Kirksey, J.W. Hines.

Walter's Grove—N, H. Prevo.

Welcome—E. J. Zimmerman, J. F. Crotts, E. S. Craver.

The association proceeded to elect its officers with the following result:

Moderator R. S. Green
Vice Moderator R. E. White
Sec.--Treasurer Archibald Johnson.

The program committee reported as follows:

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th.

9:30 A. M.	Devotional Exercises
10:00	Enrollment of delegates and election of officers
10:30	Miscellaneous Business
11:00	Biblical Recorder
11:30	Orphanage
12:00	Woman's Work

AFTERNOON

2:00 P. M.	Report of Executive Committee
3:00	State of the Churches
3:30	Pastoral Support
4:00	Sunday Schools

EVENING SESSION

8:00	Annual Sermon
9:00	Address The Seventy-five Million Dollar Campaign

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

9:30 A. M.	Devotional Exercises
10:00	Miscellaneous Business
10:30	Education
11:00	State Missions
12:00	Home Missions

AFTERNOON

2:00	Foreign Missions
3:00	Ministerial Relief
3:30	The Conclusion of the Whole Matter
4:30	Reports and Appointment of Committees etc.

A committee to revise the constitution and by laws and report to the association was appointed. The following brethren were appointed: M. L. Kesler, R. E. White and J. D. Lookabill.

J. S. Hardaway, who has come to the association since its last meeting was presented to the body.

L. M. Holloway read the following report on Baptist Orphanage:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage has a large place in the heart of the Baptists of North Carolina, and yet perhaps it has never been taken as seriously by a great number of Baptists as it should have been. Many have never realized it was the only home of many boys and girls that death has robbed of father's and mother's care and protection. These little boys and girls are our little brothers and sisters that have been entrusted to our care. We have become their guardians, we must not only see that they are fed and clothed, but that they have a chance in this life to make men and women.

There are three fundamental needs that I would call your attention to.

1 That we make the Orphanage the object of our prayers. That is, that we will remember the Orphanage in our prayers in our homes and in our churches.

2. That there is a great need of enlarging and better equipping the institution. I am told that they have to refuse each year a great number of worthy boys and girls because there is not room for them.

3. That each Sunday School will make an offering each month to the support of the Orphanage, and that every church will urge every member to give one day's work each year as a thank offering to the upkeep and the support of the institution.

While no institution can take the place of home, yet we feel that those that have charge of the Orphanage are doing their best to train those entrusted to them.

Financially the past year has been the best in our history, yet with the high cost of living we must do more in the coming year, therefore we would urge each pasto to lay the cause of the Orphanage upon the hearts of all the members, begging them to support it with their prayers and money.

L. M. HOLLOWAY.

The report was discussed by L. M. Holloway, M. L. Kesler and F. B. Hamrick and was adopted.

F. B. Hamrick read the following report on Woman's Work:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

From a small beginning thirty-one years ago the Woman's Missionary Union has been steadily growing and is now one of the mightiest factors in our denominational program. In this day of readjustment and reconstruction the woman has no small place to fill in serving the nation, her church and her home. One need only think of the marked ability of many efficient women thrust out into the business world along with the undaunted spirit of those that are serving at home in hard places. We are living in

unusual time sand our women are adjusting themselves to it beautifully. The local missionary society has never had a large field than today.

All during these years the women have been informing themselves about the needs of the world and the best methods of propagating the Kingdom. They were so anxious to do this that the Training School at Louisville was one of the outcomes and now its benign influence is spreading to the ends of the earth. Regular Bible reading and mission study efforts along with their organized personal service have also aided wonderfully. One of the chief desires for the coming year of the personal service department is that much of the wonderful training obtained by Baptist women in war time activities be turned toward the spiritual uplift of the local communities.

Certainly one of the marks of the present age is generous giving. The many patriotic appeals during the war developed all classes of people but our women have caught this spirit to an unusual degree, as a glance at their financial and personal service reports will show. The task they are undertaking in the 75 Million Campaign is tremendous. For the past thirty-one years their gifts in money have amounted to a little over $5,000,000.00 and now they are undertaking to give three times this much or $15,000,000.00 in five years' time. The women of this State are assuming one-fifth of the $6,000,000.00. Just as soon as the men launched this great campaign in Atlanta the women were happy in following out their usual custom in taking a little more than their share.

Every society has a standard of excellence consisting of ten points and they have learned that thorough work each year depends in a good measure upon their mission study classes. There are now 335 societies that have attained to this standard of excellence. During an epidemic year there were 2,308 mission study classes reported and among these 4,884 tithers with 700 emergency women. Over the Southern Baptist Convention only about every third church has a missionary society in it and it is interesting to know that only about every third church contributes to missions. This is a fact every church in the Liberty Association ought to consider seriously.

During the past year the W. M. U. of the South gave $624,545.96 to all objects and the contributions from our State amounted to $98,300.00 with $1,173,13 from the Liberty Association. North Carolina Baptists gave last year to all objects an average of $1.09 each. If they had tithed they would have given more than $10.00 per capita. If we were to tithe for five years' time we would raise not $6,000,000.00 but $15,000,000.00. But on the other hand so many of our churches are indifferent to the great command and one-third of the 2,191 churches in our State did not have a single addition by baptism last year and 337 did not give anything to any

object of the Convention. It is safe to say that these churches gave very little to their local work.

The recent associational meeting at Wallburg was well attended and full of inspiration. The report shows that nine societies in the Association raised $3,146.29 for all objects. We commend most heartily the methods of these good women and urge every church in the Association to make it possible to have one of these societies.

F. B. HAMRICK, For the Committee.

It was spoken to by F. B. Hamrick, M. L. Kesler and R. E. White. Report adopted.

G. C. Kirksey presented the following report on Biblical Recorder:

BIBLICAL RECORDER

There are things which have only a commercial value, some which have only intrinsic value, some have both. The Bible and the Biblical Recorder have both.

The Recorder is valuable because of its inspiration and because of its information. Without a knowledge of the Bible a person is considered ignorant. Without the information which the Recorder furnishes, we are ignorant as to what our denomination is doing. We need to be in touch with the prominent men of our denomination as well as to know what is being done by the Baptists of North Carolina. Today there is the greatest movement on foot ever undertaken by the Baptists of the South. It is all important that the Recorder go into every home among our people. In view of this fact we recommend:

That each church take it upon itself to see that the Recorder goes into every home in North Carolina among Baptists for at least four months while the Million Dollar Campaign is at such an important stage of development.

G. C. KIRKSEY.

G. C. Kirksey discussed the report. Report adopted.

J. T. Gillespie was asked to secure subscriptions to the Biblical Recorder and later reported having secured 60 or more subscriptions.

The association adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON

The association was opened at 2 o'clock with prayer by J. M. Hilliard.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by M. L. Kesler and was as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee beg leave to make the following report:

Denton Field, with Rev. Hoyle Love as pastor. This field is composed of Denton, Lick Creek, Gravel Hill and Taylor's Grove. There have been 24 additions and some $1,200 spent on church improvements. There has been a gratifying growth in every department of the work on this field.

The Southmont Field, with Rev. Lloyd M. Holloway as pastor, is composed of Stoner's Grove and Holloway 's Churches. There have been 20 additions, pastor's salary increased $100, contributions to benevolences increased 25 per cent, $1,700 of it to education. Holloway's plans to have preaching twice a month in the future.

From Welcome we have good reports. Three have been baptized into the fellowship of the church. Their debt has been reduced to $200, and though wak, they plan during the coming year to remove this debt, paint the church and furnish it with comfortable pews.

Perhaps no point at which we are doing mission work is more promising than Erlanger. Without a church home they report 24 additions and contributions amounting to $748.60. Their great need has been a house of worship. It is hoped that before this body meets again, this need will be supplied. Bro. J. C. Gillespie, of Norwood, N. C., is pastor of this church.

Wallburg, Rev. G. C. Kirksey as pastor, reports 12 additions and contributions practically doubled during the year. We rejoice in the good news that the opening of the Liberty Piedmont Institute is the best in its history.

The First Church at Thomasville came off the Board last year and under Dr. Mercer's leadership raised the heavy debt which remained on the church building. The appropriation made to the Amazon Chapel and other work around Thomasville was not used for the reason that a man could not be secured for the field, hence there is nothing to report.

A discussion followed the reading of the report participated in by M. L. Kesler, Hoyle Love, G. C. Palmer, J. W. Aycock and T. B. Bland—Report adopted.

The financial committee was appointed as follows: N. R. Teague and Charles Hepler.

Committee on place and preacher—C. M. Wall, Charles Hepler, F. B. Hamrick.

Committee to nominate Executive Committee, R. E: White, J. D. Lookabill, G W. Miller.

Thos. Carrick of the Piedmont association was recognized and invited to a seat. D. P. Morris of the Stanley association was likewise recognized and invited to a seat.

Report on state of the churches was read by Archibald Johnson and was as follows:

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

Our churches report a few more baptisms this year than last. We deplore the fact that so few have been born into the Kingdom.

In all other respects the churches have gone forward with rapid strides. Pastor's salaries for the year just closed were nearly $1,000 more than for the year before, the figures being $6,949.68 for this year as against $5,974.42 for last year.

State Missions received $892.24 this year and $758.93 last year. The Home Missions figures were not tabulated last year, but this year the churches gave $576,86 to this object. The Foreign Mission contribution was $946.22 this year and $768.78 last year. There was only slight improvement in the Orphanage contributions, the figures being $1,365.20 for this year and $1,274.77 last year.

The vast leap forward was in Christian Education. Last year the letters reported for this object $179.75, while this year the figures reached the amazing aggregate of $18,975.28.

We have great reason to rejoice that in our finances we have gone forward so finely, but we should have shown larger progress in additions to our churches. Every church ought to be a soul-winning agency for to this end are we sent into the world. We have made no very substantial increase in this vital matter.

Nine of our churches report Women's Missionary Societies. These nine have made the greatest record in their history during the year. The society in the Orphanage church led all the rest in contributions.

Our churches seem to be alive and awake on the great missionary program, and stand ready to accept their share of the load.

On the whole, the outlook is very hopeful, and the coming year promises to bring in larger blessings than any year of the past.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

The Report was discussed by the writer—and was adopted.

C. M. Wall read the report on Pastoral Support.

PASTORAL SUPPORT.

We should not take a pessimistic view of conditions that confront us, both church and state. But it would be very foolish indeed to shut our eyes to the facts that we can almost feel in the air. Perhaps there has never been a time in the history of the world

when there has been so much unrest as there is at this time. You can hardly visit a community where there is not labor trouble. We hear, and sometimes see, grafting and profiteering in most communities; we see a great deal of indolence and waste of time wherever we go. Who is able to deliver us from these and other great sins that we as a people are afflicted with? No one. No power is equal to the occasion but the power of God through his own appointed leaders, the pastors of our churches. Our hope is a revival of the old time religion which will make the employer considerate and fair to the employee and who will look out for their welfare and happiness, which will make the employee honest, industrious and give the employer value received for his wage.

Which will give us statesmen—men that will look to the guidance of Almighty God in the discharge of their duty. In short which will bring about among us and in our lives the principle of the Golden Rule.

We look to our pastors to bring about the glorious realization. We should all bow our heads in humility when we look into the statistics of our own association. We have twenty-six churches which last year paid on an average of less than $200.00 to their pastors. We understand that the Southern Baptist Convention pay their preachers an average of about $800.00 per year. Unskilled labor at this time in most localities receives more salary than the average preacher in our convention. We should pay our pastors a salary of sufficient amount to properly care for themselves and their families and to enable them to lead in every good work. We commend the executive committee in their efforts to help to arrange fields whereby a pastor can be located in every community in our association.

In planning for our work for the coming year let us all remember relatively speaking that the cost of living is at least 50 per cent higher than it was in 1914. We cannot expect any cheap commodities any time in the near future, therefore we should at least double, and in many instances that will not be adequate support. But there are other things besides financial support that our pastors must have in order to do their best work. There are tokens of affection that are of more value to him than money. We should find joy in our expressions of loyalty and love, not so much of our words as of our deeds. Therefore we would recommend that many of the churches in the Association secure a pastor for all of his time and where a church cannot support a pastor, that they endeavor to form a field with neighboring churches whereby we may have a pastor in every community in our association supporting them financially with our prayers, affection and love.

C. M. WALL.

The report was discussed by the writer—Report adopted.

The following resolution was offered by G. C. Palmer and was adopted:

Resolved that the association appoint a committee of three to make a careful survey of the association with a view to the formation of the churches into compact pastorates, this committee to have power merely to suggest to the association after careful investigation, a grouping of the churches into fields with a view to increasing the efficiency of the churches, such pastoral fields to be organized only after individual action by the churches desiring to cooperate.

Subsequently the moderator appointed the following brethren on this committee: R. E. White, P. L. Feezor and G. C. Palmer.

R. E. White read the following report on Sunday Schools:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The work of our Sunday schools is rapidly coming to be recognized as a vital part of the work of the church. The vast majority of those who come into our churches by experience and baptism come through the Sunday school. Not onl yis it an indispensable agency for evangelism but in most churches it furnishes the only means of systematic training in a knowledge of the Bible.

We now have in the State 2,125 schools with a membership of 212,841, which shows a loss of 7,170 as compared with last year. There are 138 churches without a Sunday school and it is safe to say that more than one-half of the members of our churches are not enrolled in the Sunday school. We need to mend our nets in this respect and see to it that at least those who come into our churches through the Sunday school do not slip out of the school in a few years.

There are several things which we need to emphasize if we would have our schools measure up to their highest usefulness.

1. Let every church that has not a Sunday school organize one.
2. Put on an active campaign to enlist every member of our churches in the school.
3. Make a thorough house to house canvass and see that every person who is not in some school is urged to join.
4. Have a definite system of following up absent scholars.
5. Emphasize the work of teacher training.
6. Have a definite schedule for developing the school in systematic benevolence especially the Orphanage work.
7. Make much of the special days and provide an attractive program so as to sustain the interest in the school.

R. E. WHITE.

The report was spoken to by R. E. White, L. M. Holloway, Archibald Johnson, J. M. Hilliard and T. B. Bland.

B. O. Myers, a ministerial student from the Reeds community, was presented to the association.

G. C. Kirksey stated that the opening of the Liberty Piedmont Institute was a record breaker.

The association adjourned with prayer by V. M. Swaim

EVENING SESSION

The annual sermon was preached by R. E. White from I Chron. 12-38.

The moderator resumed the chair and presented M. L. Kesler who delivered an address on the Seventy-five Million Movement.

The association adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Devotional exercises were conducted by V. M. Swaim. The Moderator called the body to order. Minutes of the previous day were read and approved. It was moved that the clerk and treasurer be paid $25.00 for his services—carried.

It was moved and carried that a committee be appointed to apportion the minute fund among the churches of the association, and the following committee was appointed: R. E. White, L. M. Holloway, J. T. Gillespie.

The committee subsequently made the following apportionment which was adopted by the association:

Abbotts Creek	$5 00
Center Hill	2 00
Churchland	5 00
Denton	5 00
Erlanger	3 00
Gravel Hill	2 00
Holloways	4 00
Huldah	1 50
Jersey	5 00
Lexington	10 00
Liberty	3 00

Lick Creek	3 00
New Friendship	4 00
Oak Grove	2 00
Oak Hill	1 00
Orphanage	8 00
Reeds	5 00
Rich Fork	4 00
Smith Grove	3 00
Stoners Grove	5 00
Summerville	2 50
Taylor's Grove	1 00
Thomasville	8 00
Wallburg	5 00
Walter's Grove	1 00
Welcome	2 00
Total	$100 00

The committee on revision of the constitution made their report which was unanimously received by the association.

The committee on place and preacher suggested New Friendship as the place and Hoyle Love as the preacher. The report was adopted.

The committee to nominate the Executive committee made the following nominations which were confirmed by the association: Archibald Johnson, G. Foster Hankins, A. S. Miller, W B Russell, S. E. Warford, R. S. Green, Ex-Officio.

A. S. Miller read the following report on Ministerial Relief:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

For the past 29 years we have helped contribute to the support of 125 needy ministers who have spent their better days proclaiming the Gospel to dying men and women.

Up to September 1st, 1919 of the past year, we have paid for this object $5,105.58, which has been applied to the needs of 35 or 40 ministers and their wives, who have climbed to the top of the hill of life and have proclaimed the Gospel to the ends of the earth. After they have spent their lives in the fulfillment of the command of our Savior, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every living creature."

Brethren, can we allow these color bearers of the King to suffer for the comforts of life in their declining years? We say,

nay—verily. In the past ten years we have more than doubled our contributions to this object, and our churches overpaid their assessments 40 per cent last year. We urge that all the churches contribute to our Ministerial Relief fund as they do to the Orphanage. We owe them the comforts of life; to the same extent we owe the orphan children the necessities of life and an education.

In round numbers, we spend for all objects of the Association, not including the Orphanage, $200,000, and only one-fortieth of this amount goes to the relief of aged ministers, some of them almost entirely dependent on charity.

We would think a vigorous young man very ungrateful who would fail to care for his aged parents. So God will think of his children who fail to care for the aged minister when his race is nearly run, his strength almost gone. Shall we allow him to faint by the wayside?

They have fought a good fight; they have kept the faith; will we do our duty?

A. S. MILLER.

The Report was discussed by A. S. Miller, F. B. Hamrick, J. S. Hardaway and Thos. Carrick and was adopted.

The following report on Education was prepared by B. C. Ingram and read by Archibald Johnson:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Leaders among Southern Baptists have long felt the need of an intensive campaign for the education of the Baptist hosts within our borders. Although years have passed since those dreams were first entertained the day has just dawned that gives courage for the undertaking of such a program. The spirit of the day, the educational program of our nation and State, the educatinal activities of other denominations, make it imperative for Baptists to keep step in this forward movement or drop from the ranks.

It is no longer a question with us, shall we educate, but a prayer to God for guidance in doing our part in fulfilling this part of the Great Commission. Baptists have been long in taking up the latter half of our Savior's request to "teach them to observe all things." We have herded the sheep but have failed to feed. Too long have souls saved by God through Baptist endeavor been left on uncultivated Baptist soil. Truly, the day has come when Baptists must emphasize the education of its constituency.

That Southern Baptists are awake to their duty and opportunities in Educational work is seen in the Baptist program for the next five years. Of the $75,000,000 to be raised in our Southland $20,000,000 is to be for education. Of the $6,000,000 we shall raise

in our State $1,466,667 is for the training of Baptist boys and girls in our denominational schools.

Unquestionably our great task is the creation of educational sentiment. Just as education was the great problem facing the Allies in Germany, so from our standpoint, education is the biggest problem before North Carolina Baptists. Not that we wish to minimize the place of evangelism, for a large educational program will greatly magnify it. Both are born of the same Great Teacher and essential in the work of our Lord's kingdom.

What we want our denomination to be tomorrow we must put into our schools today. We are failing to produce our proper quota of leaders in Church and State. Representing the 300,000 Baptists of the State there were at Wake Forest last year only 62 ministerial students. Six young women in our two colleges were preparing for service on mission fields. God may not be calling you or me into the ministry, yet who knows but that he is anxious to use us as agencies to lead others into active service for Him. If we evangelize and educate the young in the Baptist ranks of today, God will give us a trained leadership for the future.

B. C. INGRAM.

Report on State Missions was read by M. L. Kesler.

STATE MISSIONS

In spite of the disturbances caused by war and epidemics our State Mission Board made an encouraging report.

There were 159 missionaries, 1,627 conversions, and 1,004 of these united with the churches.

In addition to the work of furnishing preaching to destitute fields, emphasis has been placed on the distribution of books and other literature. Seven men have given part of their time as colporteurs. This work is also done through mail orders. Free tracts have been distributed mainly through the Monthly Bulletin. This publicity work is but the beginning of a proper use of the printed page as one of the mightiest agencies at our command.

The State Mission Board has also made a special effort to increase the circulation of the Biblical Recorder, and this for the reason that our work can never outgrow the circulation of our medium of communication.

The work of the Mobile Schools takes up the work of enlistment from a new angle. We are teaching rather than exhorting. This effort succeeded so well a year ago that our Secretary planned this work for this year on a much larger scale, so that practically every association in the State had one of these schools. There is no method by which we can measure the results of the work done in these schools. It cannot be counted up in terms of a treasurer's report.

It is indeed gratifying to observe the steady advance of this work year by year; and it has come without agonizing appeals. But we are far from measuring up to our opportunities or our obligations.

Looking toward a worthy goal, the last convention set our figures at $100,000 for Foreign Missions and $75,000 each for Home and State Missions; the minimum to be $90,000 for Foreign Missions and $65,000 each for Home and State Missions.

Since that time we have launched the 75 Million Dollar Campaign and these figures must be multiplied. This indeed is "The Task for Titans."

Through our State Mission Board's influence and activities depend the growth and development of our backward churches. This task is equal to, if not larger than the work of supply ing the destitute sections of the State. Our burden and our shame is the vast number of churches unreached and for whom we seem unconcerned. They are sheep without a shepherd and are not to be blamed.

If the present 75 Million Campaign succeeds in reaching and enlisting these hitherto untouched resources it will not have been in vain.

M. L. KESLER, For the Committee.

Report on Home Missions was read by J. S. Hardaway.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board deals with the Gospel needs of our own country, even as the Foreign Mission Board deals with Gospel needs beyond our borders. The work is one and the same—spreading the Gospel in the earth.

Even as it is important to go into all the world, and to preach the Gospel to every creature, so it is necessary to strengthen the Gospel in the homeland. Foreign Missions cannot flourish, if Home Missions languish.

The work of the Home Board is carried on through various departments, namely: Co-operative Missions, Enlistment, Evangelism, Mountain Schools, Work Among Foreigners, Work Among Indians, Among Negroes, Church Extension, Publicity, War Work, Cuba and Panama. It also had charge of our War Work.

Our Secretary tells us in his report to the Southern Baptist Convention that the Lord has "surpassed all former years in the bestowment of His favor upon our Home Mission Work."

There were 40,000 baptisms, and 59,000 accessions to our churches through the agency of our Home Board workers. Among our soldiers there were 40,000 professions of faith, and 10,000 baptisms.

Just now the prime need of our Southern Baptists is enlistment. So many are not lined up in the great work of the denomination.

The Home Board performed a great service for the cause of religion in its protests against the action of the War Department in eliminating all camp pastors from the camps, a serious menace to religious liberty which is guaranteed in the Constitution of the United States.

The need for the Home Mission Board in all the problems of reconstruction is greater than ever before. In the words of the Report to the Convention: "If we do not build here for Christian civilization, our own country will be doomed and the lost world beyond the seas will wait in vain for the Evangel of Light and Salvation."

The contributions to the Home Board reported in Atlanta in May were, from all sources, $1,007,480—which was an increase of $313,333 over the preceding year.

In the $75,000,000 Campaign Home Missions is allotted $12,000,000—or $2,400,000 annually. Of this amount North Carolina is asked to give $1,092,833, or $218,566 annually.

The Liberty Association gave last year about $666. Three churches are not reported as giving anything to Home Missions.

The State of North Carolina gave to Home Missions $55,537.60 last year.

This present year we have reported for Home Missions $576.86.

In the $75,000,000 Campaign, the Liberty Association has $75,000 allotted as its share for all objects. Of this amount $12,000 will go for Home Missions, or $2,400 a year. Just about four times what we have been giving. The task is a great one, but if our people would give a tithe, we would raise all apportionments for the $75,000,000 Campaign, and have as much more left over on hand. Let us undertake the great task resolved to do our part.

J. S. HARDAWAY.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Hoyle Love.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board in its seventy-third annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention at Hot Springs, Arkansas, last spring, sounded the most cheering note in the history of our Foreign Mission work. The receipts in cash to current support were $852,923.73, a gain of $294,362.26 in support of current work over any former year. For the first time in ten years there was no debt on our Foreign Mission Board, and contributions to all departments of our Foreign Mission work mounted beyond the million dollar mark. Two States this year for the first time in the history of our work passed the one hundred thousand dollar mark in contributions to Foreign Missions, Virginia and Texas. We want to see North Carolina come into the hundred thousand dollar column the very first moment possible.

The situation on our Foreign Mission fields is appalling and ap-

pealing. The stroke of war has crushed the shells of the past. Mankind is aware of new anxieties and possibilities. The world is looking for a new Master: Jesus Christ is the Lord of Democracy. We have suffered to accumulate a very large aggregate of necessities on the mission fields which we occupy. Our past successes are our present embarrassments, if we fail to enlarge our resources and our working force. We must give more work, more prayer and more money, if our Board is to cope with the situation.

Last year there were 6,290 baptisms; we have now 464 churches, of which 141 are self-supporting, with a membership reaching a total of 53,629. We have 715 Sunday schools, with 34,428 scholars; 482 literary schools of all grades with 13,866 scholars.

In our eleven Theological Training Schools were 302 students. The Theological Training School in Italy has been closed on account of the war. Our missionary physicians gave the amazing number of 104,271 treatments during the year. Such are the figures, but how far short do they come of telling the real story!

Respectfully submitted,

HOYLE LOVE.

It was decided to read the reports together and discuss the whole subject with the Seventy five million campaign in view.

The discussion was opened by M. L. Kesler. At the conclusion of his address the association adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON

The association was called to order by the vice moderator, and the discussion on the consolidated reports continued. P. L. Feezor Director of the seventy five million campaign in this association outlined the plan of organization. Other speakers were R. S. Green, J. T. Gillespie, L. M. Holloway, G. L. Merrill, R. E. White and G. W. Miller. The nominations of P. L. Feezor as director of the campaign, and Mrs. S. D. Swaim, as director for the W. M. U. in the association, were confirmed, and the reports were adopted.

R. E. White was named as publicity director of the campaign for the association.

The following trustees of the Liberty-Piedmont Institute were confirmed by the body: Archibald Johnson, C. M.

Wall, M. L. Kesler, G. W. Wall, and G. W. Miller.

The report of the finance committee was read and accepted.

The Moderator appointed the following to prepare reports to be discussed at the next session of the association.

Biblical Recorder	J. T. Gillespie
Orphanage	P. L. Feezor
Woman's Work	A. E. Sheets
State of the Churches	R. E. White
Sunday Schools	Archibald Johnson
Education	M. L. Kesler
State Missions	Hoyle Love
Home Missions	V. M. Swaim
Foreign Missions	J. S. Hardaway
Ministerial Relief	G. Foster Hankins

J. S. Hardaway was appointed delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention to be held next May in Washington D. C.

G. Foster Hankins was appointed to represent the association at the Baptist State Convention this winter in Asheville N. C.

R. E. White offered the following resolution which was heartily adopted:

Resolved that we extend our thanks to the members of the Denton Baptist church for their cordial hospitality enjoyed by the delegates to this association.

After the singing of the hymn, "God be with you till we meet again," the association adjourned to meet at New Friendship on Tuesday after the first Sunday in Septemtember 1920

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Clerk R. S. GREEN, Moderator.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

The thirteenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association was held with the church at Wallburg on August 28, 1919, with Mrs. Winona L. Swaim, the Associational Vice-President presiding.

"Come Thou Almighty King" was sung in opening, after which Mrs. J. K. Hankins, of Lexington, read some Scripture selections from Deut. 8 and Mal. 3:1-9, emphasizing the giving of tithes as an obligation we owe which should be followed with voluntary offerings. Mrs. J. J. Roddick, of Winston-Salem, led in prayer, asking Divine guidance in the meeting and recounting the mercies and blessings which have been given to us in the past.

The enrollment of delegates followed and it was a cause for congratulation that so many were present. One new Sunbeam Band has been organized at Stoner's Grove Church during the year.

A welcome was extended in a most cordial manner by Miss Lula Motsinger, of Wallburg, and Rev. G. C. Kirksey, pastor of the Wallburg Church, making all feel doubly welcome to the homes, the school, and everything in and around Wallburg. Mrs. Hoyle Love, of Denton, responded to the welcome.

Mrs. W. N. Jones, of Raleigh, President of the State W. M. U., and Mrs. J. J. Roddick, of Winston-Salem, Superintendent of the Woman's Work in the Pilot Mountain Association, were presented to the audience and responded in fitting words. Then Mrs. W. N. Jones addressed the meeting, taking as her subject our task in the $75,000,000 campaign, explaining the plan of work and the necessity of each one's having a part in this great undertaking, both in offerings and in service. The hearts of all present must have been stirred and new resolutions made that we shall not fail in the part assigned to the women of our Association.

The Superintendent named the following committees:

Nominating Committee—Mrs. C. M. Wall, Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Miss Esther Cross, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Miss Troy Sharpe.

Committee on Time and Place—Mrs. L. F. Barr, Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Miss Lula Motsinger, Mrs. A. F. Wafford, Mrs. Hoyle Love.

Committee on Resolutions—Miss Thelma Lee, Miss Bessie Smith, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. J. D. Newton.

The Obituary Committee was continued as a standing committee.

Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Winston-Salem, with Mrs. Weatherspoon, having arrived, they were asked to stand and were welcomed to the meeting. Then followed a verse of song and a short prayer by Dr. Weatherspoon and adjournment for dinner.

A hymn, "I Am Thine, O Lord," was sung in opening the afternoon session and devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Hoyle Love.

The Sunbeam Band, of Wallburg, presented a short program, which was much enjoyed.

Mrs. J. J. Roddick spoke to the meeting in encouragement in going forward with the work, and of the marked progress noticeable since she had been present in a previous meeting of the body.

Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon made a most inspiring address on the Great Campaign and emphasized the fact that the raising of $75,000,000 was not the greatest thing in it, but the enlistment and awakened interest which are hoped for, and the spirit of prayer and the faith in God to believe that all things are possible through Him are the great things leading up to its accomplishment. He stressed the program for each month leading up to the final big drive the first week in December, and surely no one who heard him will fail in doing her best. Rev. L. M. Holloway offered prayer following this great address.

A paper on Stewardship and Tithing was read by Mrs. L. M. Holloway. Mrs. J. W. Tuttle read an article on "The Training of Children for the Kingdom." Mrs. R. S. Green had a paper on "Enlisting New Members and Raising Special Offerings."

The committees made the following reports:

Nominating Committee:

"We, the Nominating Committee, recommend that the following officers be re-elected:

"Superintendent, Mrs. S. D. Swaim.

"Y. W. A. and Junior Work Superintendent, Mrs. F. B. Hamrick.

"Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. R. S. Green."

Adopted.

The Committee on Time and Place reported as follows:

"We, the Committee on Time and Place, recommend that the Union meet with the Church at Denton on the last Thursday in

August, 1920."

Adopted.

Report of Obituary Committee:

"In view of the terrible epidemic which has swept over our land during the past year, we can well be thankful that no larger number has fallen from our ranks, but it is with sorrow that we record the names of Mrs. C. C. Wrenn, of Southmont; Mrs. Alfred Henderson, Denton; Mrs. Charles Helmstetler and Mrs. Amanda Sink, Lexington.

"Let us seek more earnestly to carry forward the work which they have helped us to begin; though they have ceased from their labors, their works do follow them.

MRS. R. S. GREEN,
Mrs. L. F. Barr,
MRS. J. W. TUTTLE,
Committee."

Adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions made the following report:

"Whereas the women of the Wallburg Church have so cordially welcomed us and made us feel at home in our meeting with them, therefore be it resolved:

First, That we wish to express our appreciation of the kindness shown to us in so many ways and for the delightful dinner served on the grounds.

"Second, We esteem it a great privilege to have had with us our State President, Mrs. W. N. Jones, also Mrs. Roddick and Dr. Weatherspoon, of Winston-Salem, and for the help and inspiration which they brought to us.

"Third, We would exhort each one present to carry home with her a high resolve and the spirit that dares to undertake great things and says 'I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me'."

MISS THELMA LEE,
MISS BESSIE SMITH,
MRS. MARY DAVIS,
MRS. J. D. NEWTON,
Committee.

The Congregation joined in singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and a chain of prayer, closing with the benediction pronounced by Dr. Weatherspoon, closed this meeting of the Union.

MRS. WINONA L. SWAIM,
Associational Superintendent.
MRS. R. S. GREEN,
Recording Secretary.

The following report shows the contributions from the different Societies during the year:

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Denton—

Foreign Missions	$ 21.75
Home Missions	19.00
Church Building Loan Fund	10.00
State Missions	20.00
Christian Education	300.00
Training School	10.00
State Expense Fund	1.00
Associational Expense Fund	.75
Orphanage	15.25
Other objects	307.35
Total	$ 705.10

Number of members, 11.

Mrs. Hoyle Love, President; Mrs. Mary E. Davis, Secretary and Treasurer.

Erlanger—

Foreign Missions	$ 6.00
Home Missions	9.00
Church Building Loan Fund	3.35
State Missions	8.00
Christian Education	50.00
Associational Expense Fund	.45
Other objects	31.00
Total	$ 107.80

Number of members, 10.

Mrs. Bessie Hawkins, President; Mrs. N. C. Martin, Secretary; Mrs. L. O. Bishop, Treasurer.

Holloway's—

Foreign Missions	$ 15.00
Home Missions	12.00
Church Building Loan Fund	7.50
State Missions	10.00
Bible Fund	1.00
State Expense Fund	2.00
Training School	6.00
Christian Education	50.00
Associational Expenses	1.00
Other objects	1.00
Total	$ 105.50

Number of members, 29.

Miss Tela Beanblossom, President; Miss Mattie Bean, Secretary; Mrs. G. A. Palmer, Treasurer.

Jersey—

Missions (undesignated)	$ 53.05
Christian Education	128.00
Associational Expense Fund	1.00
Other objects	16.52
Total	$ 198.57

Number of members, 26.

Mrs. R. L. Palmer, President; Miss Troy Sharpe, Secretary; Miss Bessie Smith, Treasurer.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 58.50
Home Missions	65.40
Church Building Loan Fund	93.00
State Missions	25.50
Christian Education	125.00
State Expense Fund	3.50
Training School	5.00
Associational Expense Fund	1.00
Other objects	36.25
Total	$ 413.15

Number of members, 48.

Mrs. S. D. Swaim, President; Mrs. E. G. Hunt, Secretary; Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Treasurer.

Orphanage—

Foreign Missions	$ 124.26
Home Missions	81.15
State Missions	71.16
Christian Education	882.50
Church Building Loan Fund	20.75
Margaret Educational Fund	15.85
Training School	21.15
Bible Fund	7.65
State Expense Fund	6.25
Old Ministers	11.40
Orphanage	157.00
Other objects	63.30
Total	$1,462.42

Number of members—All the Orphanage.

Miss Annie Hall, Vice-President; Miss Sallie L. McCracken, Secretary-Treasurer.

Stoner's Grove—

Foreign Missions	$ 12.00
Home Missions	9.00
Church Building Loan Fund	7.00
State Missions	9.00
Christian Education	50.00
State Expense Fund	1.00
Training School	6.55
Associational Expense Fund	1.00
Other objects	1.00
Total	$ 96.55

Number of members, 19.

Mrs. L. M. Holloway, President; Miss Lala Feezor, Secretary; Mrs. S. E. Warfford, Treasurer.

Thomasville—

Foreign Missions	$ 40.63
Home Missions	38.72
Church Building Loan Fund	38.00
State Missions	40.40
Christian Education	5.05
State Expense Fund	2.60
Training School	5.05
Fannie Heck Memorial	5.00
Associational Expense Fund	2.00
Total	$ 177.45

Number of members, 29.

Mrs. R. S. Green, President; Mrs. L. E. Teague, Secretary; Mrs. A. Johnson, Treasurer.

Wallburg—

Foreign Missions	$ 11.45
Home Missions	11.95
Church Building Loan Fund	13.10
State Missions	10.40
State Expense Fund	.60
Training School	2.00
Total	$ 49.50

Number of members, 7.

Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, President; Mrs. J. B. Motsinger, Secretary-Treasurer.

SUNBEAM BANDS

Denton—

Foreign Missions	$ 1.50
Home Missions	2.00

State Missions	1.00
Margaret Fund	1.00
State Expense Fund	.50
Training School	1.00
Orphanage	2.00
Christian Education	1.00
Total	$ 10.00

Number of members, 14.

Mrs. Hoyle Love, Leader.

Erlanger—

Foreign Missions	$ 10.00

Number of members, 36.

Mrs. Bessie Sullivan, Leader; Mary Higgins, President; Nell Hearn, Secretary; Daisy Stogner, Treasurer.

Holloway's—

Foreign Missions	$ 4.00
Home Missions	2.00
State Missions	2.74
Bible Fund	1.26
Training School	2.00
Total	$ 12.00

Number of members, 34.

Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Leader; Miss Delkie Bean, President; Miss Lacy Crook, Secretary; Miss Ida Beanblossom, Treasurer.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 5.00
Home Missions	7.32
Church Building Loan Fund	5.00
Christian Education	.48
Margaret Fund	1.00
Training School	1.00
Total	$ 19.80

Number of members, 75.

Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Leader; Mildred Conrad, President; Florence Swaim, Secretary; Eunice White, Treasurer.

Orphanage—

Foreign Missions	$ .75
Home Missions	.50
State Missions	.50
Margaret Fund	.44
Total	$ 2.19

Number of members—Orphanage children.

Miss Roxie Harris, Leader; Maggie Bailes, President; Eunice

Oakley, Treasurer.

Stoner's Grove—

Foreign Missions	$ 4.00
Home Missions	4.00
Church Building Loan Fund	1.00
State Missions	3.00
Christian Education	2.00
Bible Fund	1.10
Total	$ 15.10

Number of members, —.

Leader, Mrs. O. E. Stoner; President, Miss Mattie L. Wrenn; Secretary, Miss Hester Lookabill; Treasurer, Liza Lomax.

Thomasville—

Home Missions	$ 1.78
Church Building Loan Fund	3.00
State Missions	1.76
Christian Education	2.00
Bible Fund	1.00
Margaret Fund	1.00
Expense Fund	.25
Training School	4.00
Total	$ 14.79

Number of members, 41.

Leader, Mrs. C. F. Lambeth; Secretary, Elizabeth Teague.

Wallburg—

Foreign Missions	$ 1.55
Home Missions	.55
Church Building Loan Fund	2.00
State Missions	2.38
Total	$ 6.48

Leader, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, President; Kate Clinard; Secretary, Lena Tuttle.

ROYAL AMBASSADOR BAND

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 9.65
Home Missions	5.00
Church Building Loan Fund	5.75
Total	$ 20.40

Number of members, 20.

Leader, Mrs. L. F. Barr; Master-Chief, Wallace White; Secretary, Brantley Barr; Treasurer, Paul Sink.

TABULATED REPORT FOR ALL SOCIETIES

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Number of Societies, 9.

Number of members, besides Orphanage, 179.

Contributions—

Foreign Missions	$ 310.81
Home Missions	262.14
State Missions	203.87
Orphanage	172.25
Church Building Loan Fund	192.70
Louisville Training School	55.75
Christian Education	1,600.55
State Expense Fund	16.95
Associational Expense Fund	7.20
Bible Fund	8.65
Margaret Educational Fund	15.85
Fannie Heck Memorial	5.00
Other objects	456.42
Total	$3,308.14

SUNBEAM BANDS

No of Societies, 8.

No of members, besides Orphanage, 232.

Contributions—

Foreign Missions	$ 12.80
Home Missions	14.15
State Missions	8.38
Church Building Loan Fund	11.00
Margaret Fund	3.44
Christian Education	5.48
Training School	8.00
Orphanage	2.00
Expense Fund	.75
Bible Fund	3.36
Total	$ 69.36

ROYAL AMBASSADORS

Number of Societies, 1.

No of members, 20.

Contributions—

Foreign Missions	$ 9.65
Home Missions	5.00
Church Building Loan Fund	5.75
Total	$ 20.40

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL SOCIETIES

Foreign Missions	$ 333.26
Home Missions	281.29
State Missions	212.25
Church Building Loan Fund	209.45
Christian Education	1,606.03
Orphanage	174.25
Louisville Training School	63.75
Bible Fund	12.01
Margaret Educational Fund	19.29
State Expense Fund	17.70
Associational Expense Fund	7.20
Fannie Heck Memorial	5.00
Other objects	456.42
Grand Total	$3,397.90

LIST OF DELEGATES

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Denton—Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. Reed Loftin, Mrs. Hoyle Love, Mrs. Martha Russell, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, Mrs. J. J. Snider, Mrs. W. T. Harris, Miss Ethel Henderson.

Erlanger—Mrs. N. C. Martin, Mrs. O. V. Hawkins, Mrs. J. B. Higgins.

Holloway's—Miss Esther Cross, Miss Tela Beanblossom, Mrs. G. C. Palmer.

Jersey—Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. W. B. Palmer, Mrs. W. L. Smith, Mrs. L. A. Smith, Mrs. M. C. Snider, Mrs. O. F. Tate Miss Troy Sharpe, Misses Elizabeth and Bessie Smith, Miss Mary Snider, Miss Frankie Palmer.

Lexington—Mrs. L. F. Barr, Mrs. T. N. Bruton, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs. J. K. Hankins, Mrs. B .F. Lee, Mrs. G. W. Miller, Miss Thelma Lee.

Orphanage—Miss Sallie McCracken, Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Miss Kate Warwick.

Stoner's Grove—Mrs. L. M. Holloway, Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Miss Pearl Lomax, Miss Zula Wrenn.

Thomasville—Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, Mrs. John Daniels, Mrs. J. D. Newton, Mrs. R. S. Green, Miss Esther Newton.

Wallburg—Mrs. C. M. Wall, Mrs. C. C. Smith, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, Mrs. G. B. Motsinger, Miss Lula Motsinger.

SUNBEAMS

Denton—Mrs. Hoyle Love.

Erlanger—Represented by Letter.

Holloway's—Represented by Letter.

Lexington—Miss Mildred Conrad, Miss Mabel Bruton.

Orphanage—Represented by Letter.

Stoner's Grove—Miss Mattie Lee Wrenn.

Thomasville—Not represented.

Wallburg—Lena Tuttle, Kate Clinard, Noah Motsinger.

ROYAL AMBASSADORS

Lexington—Mrs. L. F. Barr.

MRS. WINONA L. SWAIM,
Associational Superintendent.
MRS. R. S. GREEN,
Recording Sec. and Treas. of Woman's Work,
Liberty Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERY AND POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			No. of Males	No. of Females	TOTAL
					By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Abbott's Creek	J. M. Hilliard, High Point	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	3rd Sun.	$ 2,000	3	1	----	----	1	2	67	112	179
Center Hill	J. C. Gillespie, Oakboro	Hubert Smith, Lexington	3rd Sun.	2,000	1	3	----	----	----	2	49	69	118
Churchland	J. T. Gillespie, Linwood, R. 1	W. H. Lomax, Linwood, R. 3	1st & 3rd	1,000	3	5	----	4	----	1	86	117	203
Denton	Hoyle Love, Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton	2nd & 4th	4,500	15	10	----	6	1	3	75	100	175
Erlanger	J. C. Gillespie, Oakboro			-------	7	9	----	8	----	----	30	43	73
Gravel Hill	Hoyle Love, Denton	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	4th Sun.	600	5	----	----	4	----	----	27	28	55
Holloway's	L. M. Holloway, Southmont	B. R. Cross, High Rock	2nd Sun.	1,000	5	----	1	4	----	1	----	----	197
Huldah				-------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Jersey	J. T. Gillespie, Linwood	L. A. Smith, Linwood		-------	----	----	2	----	1	----	58	92	150
Lexington	R. E. White, Lexington	H. C. Myers, Lexington	Every	37,500	20	22	3	15	1	2	186	245	431
Liberty	Hoyle Love, Denton	H. P. May, Hannersville	3rd	1,000	3	1	1	3	1	----	32	66	98
Lick Creek	Hoyle Love, Denton	P. M. Snider, High Rock	1st	2,000	3	----	----	10	----	1	44	57	101
New Friendship	V. M. Swaim, Winston-Salem	B. F. Charles, Winston-Salem	1st	5,000	----	----	----	2	----	----	46	78	124
Oak Grove		Ash Johnson, Winston-Salem	3rd	1,200	6	----	----	2	----	----	----	----	34
Oak Hill		M. F. Underwood, Trinity		600	----	----	----	----	----	----	12	27	39
Orphanage	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	2nd & 4th	25,000	48	10	----	35	----	----	104	204	308
Reed's	J. T. Gillespie, Linwood, R. 1	J. C. Leonard, Lexington R. 3	2nd	2,000	----	1	----	4	----	----	69	100	169
Rich Fork		T. H. Small, Thomasville	4th	2,000	6	----	----	----	----	4	53	97	150
Smith Grove	F. W. Fry, Mocksville	L. T. Yarborough, Salisbury R. 7	2nd	1,400	23	----	----	----	----	1	53	57	110
Stoner's Grove	L. M. Holloway, Southmont	J. D. Lookabill, Southmont	1st & 3rd	1,000	10	4	----	----	----	2	60	73	133
Summerville	D. P. Morris, Norwood	J. W. Gallimore, Denton	1st	1,500	3	----	----	3	----	3	40	88	128
Taylor's Grove	Hoyle Love, Denton	D. M. Summey, Chandler	1st	1,000	----	----	----	----	----	----	4	10	14
Thomasville	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Every	15,000	13	9	----	22	----	2	86	160	248
Wallburg	G. C. Kirksey, Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	2nd & 4th	6,000	10	----	----	1	----	1	60	80	140
Walter's Grove		J. T. Pierce, Cid	2nd	500	1	----	----	5	----	1	12	28	40
Welcome	W. L. Barrs, Cooleemee	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	2nd	3,000	3	----	----	2	----	----	27	23	50
				$103,300	188	75	7	130	5	26	1,280	2,054	3,334

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage	Education	Ministerial Relief	Other Objects	Total
Abbott's Creek	$ 150.00		$ 68.50	$108.00		$ 2.00	$ 26.00	$ 20.00	$ 30.00	$ 5.00	$ 78.50	$ 5.00	$ 4.50		$ 486.50
Center Hill	150.00	$ 18.00		8.76		1.75	13.75	4.35	13.00	6.25			4.35	$ 17.55	236.76
Churchland	350.00		24.00	70.14	$ 16.04	4.00	35.00	25.00	40.00		103.41	45.00		55.53	768.12
Denton	275.00			17.75		2.05	78.05	11.00	153.00	3.00	48.88	10.00	6.00	76.52	681.25
Erlanger	412.98		21.51		1.00	2.50	12.00	14.00	38.00		66.18	50.00	5.00	92.00	715.18
Gravel Hill	125.00			12.00		1.50	5.00	4.00	5.75		11.00		3.50	10.00	178.15
Holloway's	200.00			12.00		2.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	3.10	30.00	255.00	8.50	30.00	575.60
Huldah															
Jersey	275.00			17.75		2.05	78.05	11.00	153.00	3.00	48.88	10.00	6.00	76.52	681.25
Lexington	1,844.00	2,754.75	812.45	330.60	24.40	5.00	202.35	157.72	183.46		196.27	301.00	5.00	267.29	6,984.29
Liberty	150.00					2.50	18.75	7.70	15.40	1.10	14.81	3.30	5.00	35.72	254.66
Lick Creek	250.00	85.00	30.00	2.72		3.00	12.50	8.80	8.25		12.10	30.00	3.30	28.28	503.95
New Friendship	200.00			10.00		2.75	23.00	9.00	10.00	5.00	27.00	5.00	5.00		296.75
Oak Grove	47.75		3.21	1.64		.50	1.28	2.00	1.00		14.87		1.00		73.55
Oak Hill	39.95	100.00		5.60			1.65	1.65			2.00				150.85
Orphanage	540.00	293.92	100.68	58.90		5.00	148.17	152.31	173.97	15.67	235.76	1,666.65	28.17	272.44	3,691.54
Reed's	175.00		67.36	32.00		1.50	9.60	10.65	17.19	1.75	125.00	202.95	6.75	5.00	654.75
Rich Fork			30.00	24.60		2.00	35.00	18.70	12.10		27.50	8.00	8.15	40.00	238.45
Smith Grove	100.00	82.15	87.00	6.38	30.00	4.00	3.00	3.25			15.22	2.00	2.00		339.00
Stoner's Grove	450.00		10.01		11.35	4.00	63.83	46.75	45.75	23.17	136.40	800.00	16.09	144.17	1,751.52
Summerville	100.00			7.25		1.00		2.50	2.21	.25	9.96	45.00			168.17
Taylor's Grove	100.00			2.00			2.50	3.13	2.40		4.40	1.10	1.10		116.63
Thomasville	960.00	223.69	241.78	110.48	30.85	4.00	159.01	98.88	119.31		244.78	149.65	16.00	4,805.30	6,820.49
Wallburg	400.00	409.25		124.85	21.00			176.21			142.69	15,489.00	10.00	28.82	16,801.82
Walter's Grove	50.00		12.00	5.00	8.00	.40	1.25	1.00	1.00	.50	2.50	1.00	.50		83.15
Welcome	80.00	500.00		8.00		1.00	13.70	5.00	6.00	2.00	13.22	2.00	2.00	25.00	657.99
Total	$7,424.68	$4,466.76	$1,508.50	$976.42	$142.64	$54.50	$953.44	$804.60	$1,049.79	$69.79	$1,611.32	$19,071.05	$148.90	$5,970.14	$43,252.32

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT AND POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Ch. Mem. in S. S.	Mos. Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total
Abbott's Creek	D. S. Hayworth, High Point	Grey Seward, High Point	1	6	100	106	48	12	---	$ 48.00	------	$ 60.00	------	$ 108.00
Center Hill	C. A. Owen, Lexington, R. 5	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	1	5	56	56	20	6	---	8.76	------	------	------	28.76
Churchland	W. H. Lomax, Linwood	Miss Viola Leonard, Linwood	1	13	237	250	75	12	3	70.14	------	39.93	------	110.07
Denton	U. A. Hedrick, Denton	Edgar Snider, Denton	1	7	150	157	100	12	10	31.44	14.20	46.66	$ 70.42	162.72
Erlanger	(Union School)													
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	Jas. Newcome, Riley's Store	1	7	67	74	40	12	4	12.00	------	5.00	------	17.00
Holloway's	J. W. Dickens, Jr., Lexington, R. 6	Mrs. Erwin Smith, High Rock	1	6	91	97	60	12	5	12.00	3.10	6.55	------	21.65
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	R. A. Tate, Linwood	1	8	76	84	----	12	---	17.55	3.00	23.88	3.31	44.74
Lexington	G. W. Miller, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	1	20	310	330	250	12	17	330.60	177.64	191.27	------	604.51
Liberty	(No Report)													
Lick Creek	Miss Martha Snider, High Rock	Roxie Snider, High Rock	1	7	48	55	----	--	3	7.53	------	------	------	7.53
New Friendship	Elmer Snider, Winston-Salem	John Wilson, Winston-Salem	1	5	78	83	----	12	---	10.00	------	------	------	10.00
Oak Grove	T. N. Brendle, Winston-Salem	Ash Johnson, Winston-Salem	1	4	43	47	20	12	2					
Oak Hill	Mrs. F. D. Royall, Thomasville	Miss Theresa Welborn, Tho'svl	1	4	30	34	20	6	---	3.00	------	------	2.60	5.60
Orphanage	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	R. W. Bishop, Thomasville	1	37	448	485	181	12	48	106.52	87.40	3.61	116.80	314.33
Reed's	C. H. Fritts, Lexington, R. 3	Clyde Snider, Lexington, R. 3	1	10	150	160	----	12	---	32.00	12.70	------	------	44.70
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Willie Bowers, Thomasville	1	8	136	144	73	9	---	18.00	12.10	6.00	.60	36.70
Smith Grove	C. F. Simmons, Linwood R. 3	C. E. Young, Linwood, R. 3	1	10	68	78	33	7	8	6.38	------	------	------	6.38
Stoner's Grove	C. C. Wrenn, Southmont	A. W. Miller, Southmont	1	9	100	109	50	12	4	45.00	12.47	127.24	------	184.71
Summerville	L. A. Bean, High Rock	Walter Bland, High Rock	1	6	35	41	6	9	---	7.00	.25	------	------	7.25
Taylor's Grove	A. H. Michael, Chandler	Miss Grace Baily, Chandler	1	3	30	33	8	3	---					
Thomasville	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	A. Z. Boles, Thomasville	1	12	247	259	132	12	13	110.48	11.07	175.77	9.84	306.66
Wallburg	C. M. Wall, Wallburg	E. E. Jenkins, Wallburg	1	7	98	105	40	12	8	124.85	19.00	142.69	28.82	315.36
Walter's Grove	N. H. Prevost, Cid	Emma Grubb, Cid	1	6	40	46	12	12	---	5.00	------	4.00	------	9.00
Welcome	E. Mullice, Erlanger	Ray Zimmerman, Welcome	1	5	70	75	12	--	---	8.00	------	5.80	------	13.80
			23	206	2,668	2,868	1,180		125	$1,014.25	$352.93	$838.40	$232.39	$2,339.47

MINUTES

OF THE

EIGHTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

(EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY)

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September 4th and 5th, 1917

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PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER FOR NEXT SESSION:

Place—Lexington, N. C.
Time—Tuesday after first Sunday in September, 1918.
Preacher—Dr. M. L. Kesler; alternate Dr. I. M. Mercer.

for North Carolina; B. P. Roach a visiting missionary from China accepted the invitation to seatr; also V. H. Harrell the new pastor at New Friendship stood and was recognized.

An opportunity was given new churches wishing to join this body, when a petition, accompanied by a letter was presented from a newly constituted church from Erlanger, near Lexington. The body being satisfied with the orthodoxy of the new church, a motion was made and the church received into full fellowship with the body and the messengers received, representing the church.

A committee on programme was appointed consisting of Archibald Johnson and M. L. Kesler. In quick time the following was offered:

SEPTEMBER 4TH.

9:30 A. M.	Devotional Exercises—G. C. Kirksey.
10:00	Reading church letters—Organization.
11:00	Introductory Sermon.
12:00	Sunday Schools.
	AFTERNOON
2:15 P. M.	Biblical Recorder.
2:45	State missions.
3:30	Orphanage.

SEPTEMBER 5TH

9:30 A. M.	Devotional Exercises—Fred D. Hale.
10:00	Education.
11:00	State of churches.
12:00	Foreign Missions.
	AFTERNOON
2:00 P. M.	Woman's Work.
2:45	Home Missions.
3:15	Ministers Relief
4:15	Miscellaneous.

After some changes the above was adopted.

Bro. A. A. Young in behalf of the church gave a most hearty welcome to the body and visitors.

Adjourned to 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the body to order. Editor Livingston Johnson led in prayer.

B. C. Ingram and Wilson Miller were appointed as a committee on finance.

Bro. B. C. Ingram read the following report.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder is the organ of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. It stands for the organized work in the denomination. Its columns are open to those who have been put in charge

PROCEEDINGS

Of the eighty-fourth Annual session of the Liberty Baptist Association.

Smith Grove Baptist Church,
September, 4. 1917.

This body convened with this church to day. The introductory sermon was delivered by Dr. Fred D. Hale, from Eph. 5: 32. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church."

At the close of the sermon, vice moderator, R. S. Green, called the body to order. The roll of churches was called and names of messengers enrolled as follows:

Abbots Creek—W. D. Spurgeon.
Center Hill—A. V. Miller, Walter Beck and Sam Jarrett.
Churchland—Alfred Grubb, S. G. Hasty and W. H. Lomax.
Denton— A. W. Lanning, W. B. Russell and Albert Snider.
Erlanger— W. W. Pressley.
Gravel Hill—W. A. Russell, W. D. Loflin and R. F. Russell.
Holloway's—B. R. Cross.
Huldah—By Letter.
Jersey—Z. T. Sharpe, J. D. Palmer and J. A. Sharpe.
Lexington—Fred D. Hale and Wilson Miller.
Liberty—Alfred S. Miller.
Lick Creek—By Letter.
New Friendship—A. P. Snider, Erastus Swaim and G. A. Hartman.
Oak Grove—Not represented.
Oak Hill—By letter.
Orphanage—F. B. Hamrick and M. L. Kesler.
Reed's X Roads—J. N. Myers and B. W. Hunt.
Rich Fork— T. H. Small and Stimp Everhart.
Smith Grove— W. H. Smith, G. A. Clement and S. R. Simerson.
Stoner's Grove—L. C. Lomax, B. F. Roach and Henry E. Smith.
Summerville—By letter.
Taylor's Grove—By letter
Thomasville—R. S. Green, Archibald Johnson and I. M. Mercer.
Wallburg—E. L. Jenkins and G. C. Kirksey.
Walter's Grove—By letter.
Welcome—By letter.

A quorum being found present, the body proceeded to organize. On motion of M. L. Kesler, Dr. I. M. Mercer was instructed to cast the vote of the body for R. S. Green, for Moderator. M. L. Kesler was elected Vice Moderator by acclamation; G. W. Wall was continued Treasurer as was Henry Sheets as clerk.

No time was lost in getting down to business. An invitation was extended to visiting brethren. Dr. Livingston Johnson, editor of the Biblical Recorder; Dr. R. T. Vann, representing the Education Board; E. L. Middleton Sunday school Secretary of the Sunday School Board

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, September, 1917.

Barrs. W. L. ---------- Erlanger, N. C.
Feezor, Forest C. ---------- Linwood, N. C.
Gallimore, Arthur R. ----------
Hale, Fred D., D. D. ---------- Lexington, N. C.
Ingram, B. C. ---------- Linwood, N. C.
Kesler, M. L., D. D. ---------- Thomasville, N. C.
Lanning, Jeff ---------- Denton, N. C.
Mercer, I. M., D. D. ---------- Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D. ---------- Thomasville, N. C.
Pressley, W. W. ---------- Erlanger, N. C.
Sheets, Henry, ---------- Lexington, N. C.
Taylor, C. E ---------- Denton, N. C.

Executive committee, directing the mission work in Liberty Association:

M L. Kesler, C. M. Wall, L. A. Martin, A. S. Miller, B. C. Ingram.

Ex officio: R. S. Green.

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Time—Tuesday after first Sunday in September, 1918.
Preacher—Dr. M. L. Kesler; alternate Dr. I. M. Mercer.

of our denominational enterprises and institutions. Those who represent our general denominational objects reach through their appeals in the Recorder each week, more than ten times as many as they reach once a year in their speeches to the associations.

The Recorder stands for the doctrine of our faith. At this time when the country is flooded with pernicious literature, we should be careful to have coming into our homes literature that will be sound and wholesome.

The columns of the Recorder are enriched by contributions from our strongest men in the state and in other states.

This paper will go into a home fifty one times a year for two 2 cent postage stamps a week.

Believing that the Recorder is an asset and not a liability, we recommend

1. That in every church in the association we have a Recorder day on which day the claims of the Recorder shall be presented by the pastor, or some one whom the pastor may select for the purpose.

2. That a committee be appointed in each church to solicit subscriptions for the Recorder.

3. That the Recorder committees, in the work of soliciting subscriptions shall be expected to make an every member canvass of the entire membership.

4. That Recorder day be observed as early as practicable after the adjournment of the association and the committee on Recorder shall make their canvass for subscription immediately after the observance of Recorder day.

B. C. INGRAM.

The editor being present. Bro. Ingram yielded the floor to him. He spoke in a most informing way concerning the paper and its work.

In connection with the above report, Bro. Henry Sheets read the report on

STATE MISSIONS

Every phase of the Lord's work is important. If some one phase is more important than any other, it seems that the work of State missions is that work.

This is the foundation of all our work, of whatever character, pertaining to extension of the Lord's kingdom. Should we neglect our state mission work, everything else must of necessity suffer in proportion to our neglect.

When we think of the advances made along all lines of our denominational work, we need only to compare what was done twenty years ago and more, with what is being done today, to learn that just in proportion as we have moved forward along the line of State mission work, just so every department of the Lord's work has kept pace. Thus, giving liberally to state missions promotes a growth in grace in everything else.

To illustrate: there was at one time argument against the estab-

lishment of the Thomasville Orphanage, claiming that we had as much already as the denomination could carry. But had it? What has been the result? Instead of diminishing our contributions to other objects, we have not only got to giving fifty thousand to the Orphanage, but have in a large measure shown that we did not know what we could do till we trusted the Lord and went forward.

This was all made possible by what the State Mission Board did in the establishment of new churches and sustaining and cultivating weak churches. The more churches, well trained, gives a stronger base of operations.

When we shall have established and developed strong Baptist churches in all our vacant territory, we will find it more and more easy to go forward in all kingdom work.

At one point we need to be on guard. There is danger of a lurking disposition to hide behind the war as an excuse to do less for the spread of the Lord's kingdom on earth. Such should go to their knees and pray for enlightenment to know and perform their duty.

Rather, should not we not seek to enlarge our contributions to State Missions?

After short talks by Sheets and Middleton, Archibald Johnson read the following:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

With the advent of the organized class movement our Sunday school work has been invested with a new and larger meaning. Many of the strongest and most influential among our young men and women have enrolled in these classes, and are putting their fine enthusiasm in to the work of the Sunday school. We would especially urge the organization of these classes in every church in the Association.

The better training of our teachers is the supreme need of our Sunday school work. Our Baptist people were among the first to recognize this need, and have developed the idea with energy and wisdom. Still the lack of preparation on the part of many of our teachers is plainly evident in the majority of our Sunday schools.

Proper buildings and equipment are vital to the efficiency of the Sunday school. Rarely indeed is a church, either in town or country, erected in these times without an eye to the better prosecution of the Sunday school work.

The spirit of benovolence, which for so long was allowed to lie dormant, is one of the most hopeful signs of the times. The old idea that the Sunday school is no place to raise money except for its own needs, has happily passed. It has dawned upon our people that the Sunday school, of all places, offers the best opportunity for the development of the grace of giving. Every Sunday school in this association ought to set apart one Sunday in each month for a contribution for the Orphanage, and a definite program should be made for contributing through the year to every object of the Convention.

The following plan is suggested by the Sunday school Board: One-Sunday in each month for the Orphanage; the fourth Sunday in March for home and foreign missions; one Sunday in May and October for Sunday school missions; the fourth Sunday in September for state missions; and one Sunday near Christmas for minister's relief. We recommend that this plan be adopted by our Sunday schools in this association.

We desire to express our confidence in the Sunday school work of our Convention under the direction of Secretary E. L. Middleton whose dilligence and enthusiasm have been so helpful to our Sunday school work throughout the state

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

These three reports being considered under the same discussion, Bro. Middleton was given the floor and ably discussed these reports in a general way? after which, the motion to adopt the three reports was carried.

There being some time not otherwise provided for, Bro G. C. Kirksey, principal of Liberty Piedmont Institute being present, was invited to present the claims of this school before the body. He was followed by Archibald Johnson and M. L. Kesler. At the close of Bro. Kesler's speech, he read the following resolution, Resolved that the Liberty association hears of the liberality of our brethren C M. & G. W. Wall in assuming the indebtedness of the Liberty Piedmont Institute with joy, and do hereby register our appreciation of their action in relieving the school of debt.

Dr. R. T. Vann was appointed to preach to night. After a hard day's work the body adjourned till tomorrow morning 9:30.

Benediction.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 6th

Religious exercises conducted by missionary B. P. Roach. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The committee on place and preacher for 1918 session made the following report: To meet with Lexington Baptist church and Dr. M. L. Kesler to preach the sermon and Dr. I. M. Mercer, alternate. After this routine business had been disposed of, Dr. R. T. Vann was called upon to discuss the report on Education which had been read at an earlier hour, and then adopted.

Bro. M. L. Kesler read the

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES

I beg leave to make the following report:

One year ago the churches of this association reported a net gain in membership of 73, this year only 36.

In finances the comparison is as follows:

	Last year	This year
Pastor's Salary	$4,537.50	$5,139.46
State Missions	629.37	645.09
Home Missions	462.87	375.24
Foreign Missions	703.81	634.98
Orphanage	976.34	1,034.79
Ministerial Education	129.65	136.22

I have not made comparisons of other objects, but a grand total of all contributions shows that last year we gave $13,521.02, this year $13,044.81, showing a falling behind of $476.21.

Figures like these cannot measure all the elements of strength or weakness in our churches. But it is clear that our association is falling far short of the performance of the task that has been committed to us. Surely we have not taken seriously this great task.

Our churches lack vision, a vision of duty and of opportunity—a larger conception of the glory of it all. We have "no open vision." We have good fellowship, the association is well attended, among our pastors and laymen, there are some of the salt of the earth, but we need to get a new grip upon the things that are commissioned to us.

M. L. KESLER.

After a most interesting discussion by Bro. Kesler, F. B. Hamrick and V. H. Harrell, the vote was taken and heartily adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions being called for, it was presented by Bro. Kesler.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Great Commission has not been revoked or altered, it still reads: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Human nature has not changed, the sinner still needs to be born again by the operation of the Holy Spirit through faith in Jesus Christ. The evil one has not left this world, he still seeks to deceive and destroy men. And today misery is everywhere, the nations are in turmoil, the earth is bathed in blood, the whole race is sick with sin and sorrow and shame. If ever this world needed the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the life and peace that He brings it is today. This is the supreme day of duty and opportunity for God's churches. The burning question is, will we be true to our task and fulfil our mission?

During the past year God has continued His blessings upon our work in foreign land. Thousands have been convicted and saved, our missionaries have toiled bravely and with great self-sacrifice. They write us that doors are open on every hand and the people are hungry and begging for the Gospel and for missionaries to teach them the way of life. The crying need is for the means, the money, with which to enlarge the work. Young men and women are ready to go, waiting and eager to go. Will our people give the money? We

earnestly urge that our churches increase their contributions and continue to pray for the great cause.

I. M. MERCER.

Bro. Kesler yielded the floor to Bro. B. P. Roach, a returned missionary from China, who was listened to with rapt attention, after which the report was adopted.

"Leaning on the Everlasting arms," was sung with much spirit, the body standing.

Dr. Fred D. Hale presented the report below:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

I submit as a report on the Orphanage, some information furnished by its General Manager:

"In its physical equipment, as well as in the character of its constituency, the Thomasville Orphanage holds a foremost place among the Orphan Homes of the South. For thirty-two years the home has been growing and it is constantly being enlarged and still the task looms before us as just begun.

The unprecedented prices for the necessities of life have made a rocky road for our Orphanage.

From month to month we are running behind with our current expenses Contributions must increase with our needs. With in a few months there will be added to the Kennedy Home another cottage for twentv-five more children.

Since the reception of the first child, Nov. 11th, 1885, 1795 have been enrolled, and the present number is 505 (with the prospect of about 530 by the end of the year) The average yearly cost per child is $127.75, or 35 cents the day, aggregating a total annual cost of $66,046 75.

The Orphanage is caring for more than 500 of our children. They must be clothed and fed and trained. While the nation is training the soldiers at the various camps for the service of our country, the Orphanage is likewise preparing the young lives under its care for the larger service of winning bloodless battles under the banner of the King of Kings. Our loyalty and liberality to the Orphanage must not be lessened but increased.

We urge large regular giving by the Sunday schools in once a month collections. And we confidently look for a large increase in the "One day for the Orphanage" thank offering this fall. But for this special effort we would be hopelessly in debt at this time. Without a wide circulation of CHARITY AND CHILDREN these results would be impossible, hence we urge an individual copy to as many of our people as possible and a club in every Sunday-school."

Respectfully submitted.

FRED D. HALE.

After remarks on the above report by brethren Hale and Kesler it was adopted.

The Moderator named the following committees:

To name the Executive Committee-A. Johnson, J. N. Myers and Daniel Sharpe.

To nominate committee on place and preacher for next session Ben C. Ingram, B. R. Cross and A. A. Young.

Note. Through an oversight, these two committees should have come in earlier.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 5th.

Service of song by the choir. Prayer by B. C. Ingram.

A call to order and appointment of brethren to write on the subjects for the session of 1918:

State Missions—Dr. Fred D. Hale
Foreign Missions—Dr. M. L. Kesler
Home Missions—Dr. I. M. Mercer
Sunday Schools—C. M. Wall
Orphanage—Rev. B. C. Ingram
Education—F. B. Hamrick
Biblical Recorder—Rev. G. C. Kirksey
Ministerial Relief—B. R. Cross
Pastoral Support—A. Johnson
State of churches—Henry Sheets
Our urgent needs—Open discussion
Woman's Work—P. S. Vann, Lexington.

Then came the report on Home Missions:

Home Mission Report.

We are living in troublous times. Changed conditions confront us everywhere. A million of the young men in the United States are in training to keep the world from being Prussianized. These young men are in groups in various communities throughout the country.

Two or three cantonments are located near us. The devil is on duty in these camps and the boys are exposed to fearful temptations. The Home Mission Board is undertaking to surround the soldiers with a wholesome religious influence and no department of its work is more pressing or important.

37,724 baptisms were reported last year, 22,945 of which were creditable directly to Home Missions. The total receipts of the board last year were $474,792, while the cost of administration was only $22,638 or 4.7 per cent.

Realizing the new and heavier burdens that are laid upon the Home Board, the Southern Baptist Convention instructed the Board to pursue its work on the basis of $505,193. This is the first time the Home Board has ever undertaken to raise a half million dollars in one year, and we must loyally do our part in accomplishing this result.

In this time of stress we must not be "slackers." The Home Mission Board stands like the rock of Gibraltar between us and the agencies of evil that are actively at work.

We recommend that every church in the association take a forward step in its contribution to Home Missions.

Respectfully submitted.

The report was spoken to by Livingston Johnson and missionary B. C. Roach in most interesting discussions. Reference was had to the influence of Roman Catholics.

Report then adopted.

Bro. R. S. Green read an able report on Ministerial Relief:

REPORT ON OLD MINISTERS RELIEF

The relief of aged ministers is and should be near the heart of every Christian. These servants of the King who have given the best efforts of their years of vigor to His service in their declining years must depend wholly or in part on the Christian charity of those of us who have abundant means for our own comfort are as worthy of our care as the children in our Orphanage. Both the relief of aged ministers and the care and training of children who have lost their parents are forms of social service engaged in by our denomination. As we consider it a test of manhood whether a son cares for his aged and helpless parents, so it is a test of our manhood as a denomination whether or not we contribute of our means to care for these worthy followers of the Master who have spent their lives in needy fields far from the aid and co-operation of our strong denominational centers.

The work of attending to the support of the aged ministers is in the hands of a special board for that purpose of which Rev. J. M. Arnette, Mebane, N. C., is corresponding secretary. There are now thirty-seven beneficiaries of this Board and other applications showing that the need of relief is gradually increasing. These beneficiaries of the Board receive from forty to two hundred dollars each, which constitutes all or part of their support.

Many churches give liberally to this object, but still nearly three fifths of the churches of the state give nothing for the cause. Is your church one of these? If so, won't you show your Christian love by giving to the care of these infirm ministers as well as to the Orphanage or Foreign missions or any other of the objects to which you have previously contributed? These aged color bearers of the King have fought a good fight and have kept the faith. Now that their arms are no longer strong to bear the banner, shall we let them faint by the wayside without our support and care? Nay, verily we must and will give of our means to lighten their declining years.

ROBT. S. GREEN.

Bro. Green spoke to the report followed by M. L. Kesler, after which the motion carried.

The body proceeded to name delegates to the State Baptist Con-

vention. The following were named: B. C. Ingram, Henry Sheets and C. M. Wall.

Bro. M. L. Kesler was appointed to represent the association in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Bro. C. M. Wall was appointed as the association's representative on the State Board.

Bro. B. C. Ingram reported the amount of funds coming into the hands of the finance committee:

Minute Fund	$47 60
Foreign Missions	12 25
Sunday School Missions	1 37
Orphanage	16 78
Christian Education	6 22
Minister's Relief	1 84
Home Missions	5 54
Money from Center Hill to cover pledges	15 03
Total	106 63

Motion was made to adopt the report.

NOTE. A small amount came into hand after the adjournment of the body.—Clerk.

M. L. Kesler offered the following motion of thanks:

Moved that the thanks of the association be expressed to the Smith Grove church and community for the splendid entertainment they have given us.

M. L. Kesler.

Through an oversight in the press of business, Womans Work was overlooked to the regret of all. Some one however, was to write on the subject and the the following is given below:

The work being done by the Baptist women of the State is cause for profoundest gratitude to Almighty God. Time was, when they had no organized work as now. Of course they could do with the men in the Lord's work; but they could project no plans for the enlargement of kingdom affairs.

But at last some body had a vision and organized work for women was started and developed into a fine working body, recognized not only by State conventions of our Baptist people, but by the Southern Baptist convention, and what is being done, (and probably their work has just begun) calls forth praise from every one interested in the Masters vineyard.

Notwithstanding there was some opposition to organized work for women ot first, they have come to stay and are destined to work wonders in their field of opportunity

A few observations may be in order;

1. They have been faithful, most of them, that entered the union and their attendance upon their stated meetings and their amounts raised have caused the brethren to sit up and take notice.

2. Their success has been astonishing to all the people and probably to themselves. When it is remembered that none of the women in this association are wealthy, yet by regularity of giving the sums given have gone beyond all expectation.

3. The earnestness and devotion to the work have provoked many of our churches to move up in the sphere of christian activity, through provoking one another to good works.

The moderator announced that all applications for aid in mission work should be made either to R. S. Green or M. L. Kesler.

The work of the association had been completed and the body called on Bro. Roach, the visiting missionary to sing another song in the Chinese language. He sang "Sweet Bye and Bye" and in closing he made motion for the body to stand when it seemed that almost every one present engaged in repeating the chorus in our language. Every one was thrilled in this bit of worship.

This records the ending of a session of the Liberty Association in which the utmost harmony and good will prevailed.

R. S. Green, Moderator,
Henry Sheets, Clerk.

NOTE

Owing to the death of Rev. Henry Sheets. The Executive Committee have appointed Archibald Johnson temporary clerk to serve until the next meeting of the Association.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Woman's Missionary Union

OF

Liberty Association

Eleventh Annual Session

The eleventh annual session of the woman's missionary union of Liberty association convened with the Thomasville Baptist church on September 19th, at ten o'clock with Mrs. P. S. Vann of Lexington, the Associational Superintendent in the chair.

After devotional exercises conducted by her, the organization was effected, and as the Secretary. Mrs. J. M. Cheek, has moved out of the association, Mrs. R. S. Green was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Delegates were present from all the womans' missionary societies in the association except one—(Reed's) all the Sunbeam bands were represented either by delegates or by letter, and the one Royal Ambassador band was represented.

Three new Y. W. A's were reported: one at the Orphanage, one at Erlanger, and one B.Y.P.U.-Y.W.A. at Lexington.

Associational letters were read from all societies and young peoples bands and each was followed by a talk either on the most helpful things in the work, or presenting some problem for solution.

Mrs Chas. F. Lambeth extended a most cordial welcome to the visitors. and Mrs W. H. Johnson of Holloway's church responded.

Mrs. P. S. Vann then read her annual report in which she summed up some of the achievements of this Union in some directions, and gave admonition because of lack in others, while there was much of encouragement on account of growth during the years since the organization has been effected. Committees were appointed as follows: apportionment committee—Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Mrs. C. M. Wall, Mrs. Will H. Johnson, Mrs. J. K. Hankins, Mrs Mary Wade.

Nominating committee—Mrs. I. M. Mercer, Mrs. R, L. Palmer, Mrs. F. D. Hale.

Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. S. D. Swaim, Mrs. C. R. Sharpe, Mrs Fred Sowers, Mrs. Esther Cross.

Committee on time and place—Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs R. L. Palmer.

Obituary committee—Mrs R. S. Green, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, Mrs. Earnest Warfford, Mrs. L. F. Barr.

A motion was adopted making the last named, a standing commi t tee.

Miss Dulcie Winborne, Lady principal of Liberty-Piedmont Institute was recognized and responded in a very happy manner.

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned for dinner after a chain of prayer led by Mrs. F. D. Hale, for the Children and young people of our churches.

Wednesday Afternoon.

The session was opened at 1:30 with singing, "Take Time to be Holy"

Miss Winborne read a portion of scripture with suitable comments and Mrs. P. S. Vann, led in prayer.

Miss Bertha Carroll, corresponding secretary of the State W. M. U. was introduced to the assembly and responded with well chosen words, pledging her co-operation in the work in every way possible.

The report on Home Missions was read bv Mrs F. D. Hale and spoken to by Miss Bertha Carroll she conducting the quiz on different activites of the Home Mission Board and explaining the same.

The Church Building and Loan Fund was ably discussed by Miss Sallie McCracken, of the Orphanage.

The plan of establishing a Memorial fund was explained by Miss Carroll. This talk was followed by Mrs. Vann who proposed that we start a $500 Memorial in this Union, in honor of Mr. James Smith, who was so long the loved and honored moderator of the Liberty association.

Mrs. F. S. Lambeth, President of the Womans Missionary Society of the M. E. Church of Thomasville, was recognized and responded in a few words, bidding the visitors a welcome to the town and commending the work in which all alike are engaged.

Also Mrs. French, wife of the Presbyterian pastor was called on and responded in like vein

Mrs. Chas. Lambeth took charge of the Sunbeam hour and a delightful program was rendered.

Mrs. Vann made a plea for leaders for the Sunbeams and young people of our churches.

Miss Carrol brought a message concerning Royal Ambassador work and the importance of keeping our boys constantly in touch with mission leaders.

Miss Pauline Olive the Y. W. A. Superintendent took charge at this time, and the hearts of all present were stirred by the program rendered by the Orphanage Y. W. A. in which these young people told of what this work meant to them, and of their ways of raising money

and of the social life of the organization, ending with a play characterizing the rescue of a slave girl in China by missionaries, when she was found cruelly beaten by her master. The work of the medical missionaries and of the consecrated Christian nurse was brought out in the play.

Announcements were made and the session was closed with a prayer by Miss Carroll.

Wednesday Evening, 7:30

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. Clyde Turner, of the First Baptist church of Greensboro, N. C.

Thursday Morning

The union was called to order at ten o'clock. Mrs. M. L. Kesler, conducted devotional exercises, reading James 1. Prayer was offered by Mrs. P. S. Vann. The woman's hymn, written by Miss Heck was sung.

The minutes of the preceeding day were read and approved.

Miss Carroll spoke to the meeting and gave encouragement and uplift, as she recounted the growth of the union in the State organization, and bade us lift up our eyes and go forward rather than faint because of discouragement and lack of co-operation.

Miss Mary Livermore of the Orphanage spoke on mission literature—how we may be helped by it and aid in its circulation.

Report of committee on time and place: We the committee on time and place recommend that the union meet with Jersey Baptist church the last week in August, 1918.

Mrs. U. A. Hedrick
Mrs. D. F. Conrad
Mrs. R. L. Palmer
Mrs. J. B. Motsinger.

Adopted.

Report of nominating committee. Your committee on nominations beg leave to submit the following:

For Superintendent	Mrs. P. S. Vann
Y. W. A. Superintendent	Miss Pauline Olive
Secretary & Treasurer	Mrs. R. S. Green
Superintendent of Junior work	Miss Dulcie Winborne

Executive Committee Mrs. J. K. Hankins, Mrs. C. M. Wal. Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Mrs. Archibald Johnson, Mrs. I. M. Mercer, Mrs. F. D. Hale and Mrs. S. E. Warfford.

Adopted.

A chain of prayer, for our Training School was led by Miss Mary Livermore and adjournment for dinner followed.

Thursday Afternoon

The union resumed its work at 1:30 o'clock singing "More like Jesus" as an opening hymn. Mrs. R. S. Green read 1st Timothy 2

chapter, Mrs. F. D. Hale leading in prayer.

Report of apportionment committee: We the committee on apportionment recommend that the association take as its moneyed aim for 1917-1918 the sum of $1000 for missions to be apportioned among the societeis as follows:

W. M. S.

Denton	$50 50
Holloway's	50 00
Jersey	50 00
Lexington	180 00
Orphanage	260 00
Reeds	10 50
Stoner's Grove	35 00
Thomasville	160 00
Wallburg	55 00
Total	851 00

Sunbeams

Holloway's	$10 00
Lexington	25 00
Reeds	5 00
Stoner's Grove	15 00
Thomasville	20 00
Wallburg	25 00
Total	100 00

Y. W. A.

Erlanger	$10 00
B. Y. P. U., Lexington	15 00
Orphanage	12 00
Total	37 00

R. A.

Lexington	$12 00

Mrs. M. L. Kesler
Mrs. W. H. Johnson
Mrs. Mary Wade
Mrs. C. M. Wall
Mrs. J. K. Hankins—com.

Adopted.

After considerable discussion a motion was adopted that a $500 memorial for the Building and Loan fund be established in memory of Mr. James Smith the moderator of the Liberty association for a long period of years

Mrs. Archibald Johnsun read an extremely well written and helpful paper on "How to attain a higher standard of efficiency in our association." Mrs. R. S. Green read a paper on "A church without a missionary society—how will the women develop along missionary lines"

Report of the committee on Resolutions: Whereas the W. M. U.

of the Thomasville church has so cordially and heartily welcomed us to meet with them in this, our annual meeting.

Therefore, be it resolved;

First that we extend our thanks to the hospitality committee for their warm welcome and greetings at the train and church entrance thereby making us feel perfectly at home in the very beginning, and also to Dr. Mercer for his friendly greeting upon our arrival

Second, That we thank theentertainment committee for the delightful luncheons and entertainment in their homes

Third, That as delegates, we each wish to express our appreciation for the sweet music and decorations provided for the occasion.

Fourth, That we especially thank the leaders of the Sunbeam band for the enjoyable program rendered by the band for our pleasure and edification.

Fifth, The young ladies from the Orphanage, together with their efficient leaders added very much to our pleasure and we most heartily thank them, also the Orphanage Quartette for several selections.

Sixth, It has been a great privilege and pleasure to each one that our Secretary, Miss Bertha Carroll could meet with us and we wish to thank her for her helpful instruction and suggestion.

Seventh, The singing of Miss Kate Johnson has been greatly enjoyed and we esteem it a privilege to have heard her.

Mrs. S. D Swaim,
Mrs. C. R. Sharpe,
Mrs. Fred Sowers,
Miss Esther Cross,

Adopted by rising vote.

Report of Obituary committee:

This committee reports the loss of one member in the associational union by death during the past year—Mrs. A E. Warner, one of the most faithful members of the Thomasville Society

She hath done what she could and her works do follow her.

Mrs R. S Green,
Mrs. J W. Tuttle,
Mrs Ernest Warfford.
Mrs. L. F. Barr.

Adopted.

A short memorial service was held for Mrs Warner at this time and short talks were made by different members of the Union, commending her faithfulness and zeal in the Master's service.

Miss Kate Johnson very sweetly and graciously favored the Union with some songs which added much the pleasure of the occasion.

The superintendent announced that the business of the Union had been completed and with the singing of "Blest be tie that Binds" the meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. P. S. Vann,
Associational Superintendent.

Mrs. R. S. Green,
Recording Secretary.

The following report will show the contributions from the different societies during the year:

FINANCIAL TABLE—WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Denton—

Foreign Missions	$ 19.40
Home Missions	14.00
State Missions	7.00
Louisville Training school	5.25
Orphanage	8.40
Other Objects	53.00
Progress Fund	.45
Total	$ 107.50

No members 12. Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, President; Mrs. Mary Davis Secretary and Treasurer.

Holloway's—

Foreign Missions	$ 15.00
Home Missions	10.00
State Missions	12.00
Louisville Training School	5.00
Progress Fund	1.00
Other Objects	.50
Total	$ 43.50

No members 29 Miss Esther Cross, President; Mrs. W. L. Collins, Secretary; Mrs. B R. Cross, Treasurer.

Jersey—

Foreign Missions	$ 8.96
Home Missions	7.70
State Missions	19.68
Louisville Training School	2.50
Other Objects	50.00
Total	$ 88.84

No members 22. Mrs R L. Palmer, President; Miss Troy Sharpe, Secretary, Miss Bessie Smith, Treasurer.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 45.25
Home Missions	37.55
State Missions	24.90
Louisville Training School	14.00
Church Building & Loan Fund	8 57
Box to Orphanage valued at	42 00
Total	$ 172 27

No. members 42. Mrs. Preston S. Vann, President, Mrs. E.. G. Hunt, Secretary, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Treasurer.

Orphanage—

Foreign Missions	$ 91.12
Home Missions	73.42
State Missions	58.90
Louisville Training School	35.32
Orphanage	117.00
Other Objects	256 09
Total	$ 631.85

Mrs. Mary Wade, President, Miss Sallie McCracken, Secretary and Treasurer.

Reeds' X Roads—

Foreign Missions	$ 3.00
Home Missions	0.00
State Missions	0.00
Total	$ 3.00

No. members' 12. Mrs. J. R Craver, President; Mrs. H. R. Craver, Secretary; Mrs. A. L. Myers, Treasurer.

Stoner's Grove—

Foreign Missions	$ 1.75
Home Missions	9 25
State Missions	7.43
Lousville Training School	7.00
Total	$ 25,43

No. members 12. Mrs. A. F. Wafford, President; Mrs. S. E. Warford, Secretary and Treasurer.

Thomasville—

Foreign Missions	$ 52.16
Home Missions	42 35
State Missions	39 29
Louisville Training school	18 40
Church Building & Loan Fund	6.00
Totol	158.20

No. members 27, Mrs. R. S. Green, President, Mrs. Chas. Lambeth, Secretary, Mrs. Archibald Johnson, Treasurer.

Wallburg—

Foreign Missions	5.20
Home Missions	
State Missions	11.40
Louisville Training School	15 35
Total	$ 31 95

No. members 12, Mrs. J. Walter Tuttle, President, Mrs. J. B. Motsinger, Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Smith, Treas.

FINANCIAL TABLE—SUNBEAM BANDS

Holloways—

Foreign Missions	$ 1.50
Home Missions	.60
State Missions	1.00
Margaret Fund	.50
Bill Fund	.40
Louisville Training School	1.00
Total	$ 5.00

No. members 37. Mrs. Will H. Johnson, Leader; Severa Cross, President, Lucy Crook. Secretary, Ida Beanblossom Treasurer.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 6.77
Home Missions	1.68
State Missions	2.55
Louisville Training School	4.40
Total	$ 15.40

No. members 30, Mrs. Preston S. Vann, Leader; Leora Landis, Vice President; Eugenia Webster, Secretary; Elizabeth Hale, Treasurer.

Reeds X Roads.

Foreign Missions	$ .40
State Missions	2.70
Training School	.25
Total	$ 3.35

No. Members. 40. Mrs Alda Craver, Leader Vivian Craver, President; Hattie Craver, Secretary, Master Ralph Craver, Treasurer.

Thomasville—

Foreign Missions	$ 7.06
Home Missions	4.70
Training School	.91
Total	$ 12.67

No. members 30 Mrs. Chas. F. Lambeth, Leader. Master Claude Green President; Vivian Teague, Sect. and Treas.

Wallburg—

Foreign Missions	$ 4.64
State Missions	2.55
Louisville Training School	4.03
Total	11.22

No. members, 31, Mrs. J. Walter Tuttle, Leader, Mary Wall, Pres. Master Herman Tuttle, Sect. & Treas.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$ 2.65
Home Missions	2.85
State Missions	1.75
Louisville Training school	1.35
Total	$ 8.60

No. members, 19, Mrs. L. F. Barr, Leader, Master Douthy Mc Millan, Secretary, William David Barr, Treasurer,

Financial Table Young Women's Auxiliary

Erlanger—

Foreign Missions	$ 3.00
Louisville Training School	1.00
Total	$ 4.00

No. members 13. Mrs. J. E. Childers, Leader, Miss Sue Wilson, President; Miss Unice Dean, Secretary, Miss Bessie Fesperman, Treasurer.

Lexington, B. Y. P. U.

Home Missions	$ 6.50

No. numbers, 35, Miss Alma Owen, Leader.

Orphanage—

Foreign Missions	$ 8.24
Home Missions	1 50
State Missions	1.65
Louisville Training School	6 16
Total	$ 17 55

No. members, 39. Miss Pauline Olive, Leader, Miss Nora Park, President, Miss Mattie Berryman, Secretary & Treasurer.

Grand Total	$ 1339-77
Contributed as follows:	
Womans Missionary Societies	1262 54
Sunbeams	40 58
Royal Ambadssadors	8.60
Young Woman's Auxiliary	28.05
	$1,339.77

Mrs. Preston S. Vann, President, Mrs. R. S. Green, Secretary and Treas. Woman's work of Liberty Association.

LIST OF DELEGATES

Denton—

W. M. S.—Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. M. J. Henderson, Mrs. W. A. Hedrick.

Holloway's

Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Mrs. R. L. Collins, Mrs. C. R. Surratt Miss Tela Beanblossom, Miss Esther Cross.

Jersey—

Mrs. Fred Sowers Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. Jno. Sharpe, Mrs. M. C. Snider, Mrs J. D. Palmer, Miss Troy Sharpe, Miss Frankie Palmer, Miss Mary Snider.

Lexington— Mrs J. K. Hankins, Mrs J. B. Wright, Mrs. S. D. Swaim, Mrs Fred D. Hale, Mrs D. F. Conrad, Mrs. G. W, Miller, Mrs. B. F. Lee, Mrs J. W. Lancaster, Mrs. C. R. Sharpe, Miss Beulah Conrad.

Orphanage.—

Mrs. Mary Wade, Mrs C. A. Hawkins, Mrs. M. L. Kesler.

Reeds X Roads—

Represented by Letter.

Stoners Grove—

Mrs. Earnest Warfford, Mrs. A. F. Warfford.

Thomasville—

Mrs. T. C. Skiles, Mrs. Jno. Daniel, Mrs. L. E. Teague, Mrs. I. M. Mercer, Mrs. A. Johnson, Mrs Chas. Lambeth, Mrs. W. H. Elliot Mrs. C. C. Pritchard Mrs. R. S. Green.

Wallburg—

Mrs. J. B. Motsinger, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, Mrs. C. M. Wall Miss Dulcie Winborne.

Sunbeams:

Holloways: Miss Severa Cross, Miss Grace Collins

Lexington: Miss Elizbath Hale Miss Eugenuia Webster.

Thomasville: Vivian Lee Teague, Elizabeth Teague, Woodrow Teague, Virginia Tobin, Gladys Tobin, Susanna Mercer, Ruth Everhart, Claud Green.

Wallburg: Master Herman Tuttle

Royal Ambassadors

Lexington: Mrs: L. F. Barr

Y. W. A.

Orphanage: Miss Pauline Olive, Miss Jessie Parmalee, Miss Era Rhyne, Miss Jessie Funderburke.

Erlanger

Mrs. J. E. Childers.

TABLE 1—STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR	POSTOFFICE	CLERK	POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.	GAINS			LOSSES			No. of Males	No. of Females	TOTAL
							By Baptism.	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Abbott's Creek	J M Hillard	High Point	W D Spurgeon	High Point R 4	3rd	$ 2 000	4	2	----	6	----	3	65	104	169
Center Hill	B C Ingram	Linwood	Ray S Smith	Lexington Rt. 6	3rd	2 000	3	2	----	3	----	1	46	71	117
Churchland	B C Ingram	Linwood	W Henry Lomax	Linwood Rt. 3	4th	1 000	1	2	2	6	1	1	83	110	193
Denton	Henry Sheets	Lexington	L A Tysinger	Denton Rt. 1	2nd	3 000	5	----	----	1	1	2	61	77	138
Erlanger	W L Barrs	Cooleemee	F L Scoggins	Erlanger	2,4th	----	8	118	3	36	----	----	43	50	93
Gravel Hill	T H Mathews	High Point	E M Russell	Riley's Store	4th	500	----	----	1	----	----	----	24	27	51
Holloways	F C Feezor	Linwood	B R Cross	High Point R.1	2nd	1 000	10	----	----	1	----	----	77	112	189
Huldah	T H Williams	High Point	Vester Moore	Asheboro	4th	500	3	1	----	4	1	1	27	34	61
Jersey	F C Feezor	Linwood	L A Smith	Linwood	4th	3 000	----	----	1	2	----	1	63	90	153
Lexington	Fred D Hale	Lexington	H Cleveland Myers	Lexington	Every	40 000	34	15	9	93	8	6	170	245	415
Liberty	Henry Sheets	Lexington	H P May	Hannersville	4th	1 000	----	----	----	3	----	1	30	66	96
Lick Creek	Henry Sheets	Lexington	P M Snider	HighRock Rt. 1	3rd	1 500	----	----	----	6	----	1	54	61	115
New Friendship	V H Harrel	Kernersville	B F Charles	Winston Salem	1st	4 000	3	1	1	1	1	2	49	75	124
Oak Grove	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Oak Hill	I M Mercer	Thomasville	M F Underwood	Trinity	2nd	500	6	1	----	----	----	----	18	27	
Orphanage	I M Mercer	Thomasville	L W Bagley	Thomasville	2,4th	----	24	13	1	52	----	----	71	171	242
Reed's X Roads	B C Ingram	Linwood	D C Craver	Lexington Rt 3	1st	2 000	----	----	----	1	3	1	64	88	152
Rich Fork	I M Mercer	Thomasville	T H Small	Thomasville	4th	2 000	2	----	2	1	----	1	50	88	138
Smith Grove	Floyd W Fry	Mocksville	L T Yarbrough	Salisbury Rt 7	1st	1 400	----	----	----	----	----	----	42	51	93
Stoner's Grove	F C Freezor	Linwood	J D Lookabill	Southmont	1,3rd	2 000	9	3	----	2	----	----	55	62	117
Summerville	C L Taylor	Denton	E E Bean	High Rock	1st	800	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Taylor's Grove	W R Russell	Albemarle	D M Summey	Chandler	1st	1 000	----	----	----	----	----	----	4	10	14
Thomasville	I M Mercer	Thomasville	L E Teague	Thomasville	Every	15 000	9	3	----	7	6	2	76	137	213
Wallburg	S L Naff	Winston-Salem	J E Motsinger	Wallburg	2,4th	8 000	19	----	1	15	2	----	47	68	115
Walter's Grove	C E Chrissman	High Point	J T Pierce	Cid	2nd	600	----	----	----	----	4	----	12	32	44
Welcome	W L Barrs	Cooleemee	C S Haynes	Welcome	4th	2 500	----	----	----	----	----	----	27	25	52
Total						$95,300	140	161	21	240	27	23	1248	1843	3091

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Colleges and Schools	Other Objects	TOTAL
Abbotts Creek	$ 150.00	$	$ 21.00	25.00		3.00	16.50	7.50			37.25	5.00	4.50			269.65
Center Hill	100.00		.40	8.47		2.00	13.75	4.37	11.87	3.75	8.75	3.12	4.37		20.00	179.85
Churchland	150.00		24.00	43.31	7.50	4.00	13.00	5.50	13.00		42.05				25.00	327.36
Denton	150.00		24.05	38.45		2.50	22.61	19.61	24.67		18.41		2.41		53.00	336.10
Erlanger	432.14		27.73			1.00	25.10		4.90		21.00					511.87
Gravel Hill	100.00	5.00		9.80		1.00	4.50	1.33	4.68		9.10	1.11			24.00	162.52
Holloway's	150.00			6.50	25.00	2.50	16.25	5.00	15.00		21.35	6.92	6.09		33.00	287.61
Huldah	75.00		35.00	.30			1.00	1.00			2.47					114.77
Jersey	175.00	25.00	25.00	9.32	30.00	2.20	25.00	11.00	25.00	3.00	25.00	10.00	6.00		34.75	406.27
Lexington	1440.00	555.28	343.44	132.39	21.50	4.40	112.00	50.00	191.77		255.23			15.95	296.00	3417.96
Liberty	125.00			2.40		1.40	7.00	7.00	16.00	1.24	13.00	3.00	3.00		21.85	200.89
Lick Creek	120.00		30.00			1.00	4.00	3.00	3.00		5.00		1.69			167.69
New Friendship	200.00			6.40		1.75	10.00		11.25		6.50					235.90
Oak Grove																
Oak Hill	48.00		23.00	5.50			2.71		2.70							81.9
Orphanage	503.32		73.75	100.76		5.00	123.18	118.81	138.37	8.09	161.24	70.02	26.31		361.36	1690.21
Reed's X Roads	120.00	5.00	47.00	20.00		1.90	7.20	8.00	10.00		16.90	4.19			18.75	258.94
Rich Fork	100.00		46.00	21.27		2.00	13.75	11.25	16.25	5.27	22.50	5.62	4.37		4.00	252.28
Smith Grove	100.00	6.35	13.60	10.00		3.00	8.03	3.79	4.37	1.37	35.00	3.75	2.50			191.76
Stoner's Grove	225.00		5.17	15.26		4.15	52.98	32.11	30.54	18.86	93.72	7.89	6.00	7.00	84.08	582.76
Summerville	65.00						4.00	3.28	5.00		5.00		.57			82.85
Taylor's Grove	35.00			2.50			2.00	2.00	2.00		4.00					47.50
Thomasville	506.00	500.73	352.20	229.03	19.13	4.50	95.79	73.62	84.04	5.12	214.59	10.84	11.16	19.31	762.78	2888.94
Wallburg		6000.00		31.17		2.10	57.80	13.30	19.37		62.10	4.75				6190.59
Walter's Grove	50.00			4.00	9.00	.30	1.00	1.00	1.00		2.26					68.56
Welcome	60.00	148.00		8.00		1.60	9.44	3.43	2.00		7.00	1.00				239.87
Totals	5179.46	7245.36	1091.34	729.73	112.13	50.70	657.87	382.62	631.78	45.70	1080.42	137.21	80.97	42.26	1738.57	19194.71

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPERINTENDENT AND POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE	Number of Schools	Officers And Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms From School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	TOTAL
Abbott's Creek														
Center Hill	Ray S Smith, Lexington	Sam Jarrett, Linwood	1	10	51	61	37	10	2	8 47	6 50			14 97
Churchland	W H Lomax, Linwood Rt. 3	Carrie Barnes, Linwood R3	1	9	132	141	56	12		17 26		14 05	15 50	46 81
Denton	W B Russell, Denton	Ethel Henderson, Denton	1	7	122	129		12		38 45				38 45
Erlanger														
Gravel Hill	W D Loffin, Riley's Store	James Vuncanon, Riley's S.	1	6	111	117		12		9 80		3 02		12 82
Holloway's	B R Cross, High Rock	D R Beanblossom, H-Rock	1	8	65	73		12	9	6 50	1 00	2 00		9 50
Huldah	Olie Parks, Seagrove	Bertha Parks, Seagrove	1	5	24	29	15	6		1 06				1 06
Jersey	S A Sharpe, Linwood	R B Snider, Linwood	1	9	64	73		12		9 32		6 64	10 00	25 96
Lexington	L A Martin, Lexington	A E Sheets, Lexington	1	30	307	337	198	12	27	132 39	31 37	110 53		274 29
Liberty	B J May, Hannersville	Ola Heplers, Hannersville	1	10	30	40	20	6		2 40				2 40
Lick Creek														
New Friendship	Elmer Snider, W-Salem	Charlie Wilson, W-Talem	1	7	60	67		12		6 40				6 40
Oak Grove														
Oak Hill	Gurney Royal, Thomasville		1	5	40	45		8	6	5 50				5 50
Orphanage	L W Bagley, Thomasville	Charlie Cooper, Thomasville	2	33		674	282	12		96 90	74 81	3 39	62 65	237 75
Reed's X Roads										20 00	8 15		18 75	46 90
Rich Fork	T H Small, Thomasville	JessieKennedy Thomasville	1	9	190	199	60	12		15 00	5 27	6 00		26 27
Smith Grove	C F Simerson Linwood R 3	S R Simerson, Linwood R. 3	1	10	95	105	50	12		10 00				10 00
Stoner's Grove	J H Roach, Linwood	L E Lookabill, Southmont	1	9	108	117	60	12	7	15 26	37 54	59 70	33 02	145 52
Summerville														
Taylor's Grove	A H Michael, Chandler	Sallie Coggin, Chandler	1	4	25	29	8	6		2 50				2 50
Thomasville	C C Hooks, Thomasville	Paul Newton, Thomasville	2	21	400	421	155	12	6	229 03	45 21	185 89	5 16	455 29
Wallburg	C M Wall, Wallburg	E E Jenkins, Wallburg	1	9	78	87	40	12	15	37 17	20 64	33 00	72 20	163 01
Walter's Grove														
Welcome	M L Craver, Welcome	John Leonard, Welcome	1	8	82	90	40	12		8 00				8 00
Total			21	209	1984	2193	1021		72	671 01	230 49	424 22	217 28	1 433 30

MINUTES

OF THE

Eighty-fifth Annual Session

OF THE

Liberty Baptist Association

HELD WITH

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
of Lexington, N. C.

September 3rd and 4th, 1918

OFFICERS:

Moderator, R. S Green..... Thomasville, N. C.
Vice-Moderator, Hoyle Love.....Denton, N. C.
Clerk, Archibald Johnson.....Thomasvilie, N. C.
Treasurer, G. W. Wall.....Wallburg, N. C.

Place, Time and Preacher for Next Session

Place—Denton, N. C.
Time—Tuesday after first Sunday in September.
Preacher—R. E. White; Alternate—G. C. Kirksey.

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For tracts or information, address the Corresponding Secretaries. Send funds for all these objects to Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C., except for the Orphanage. Funds for the Orphanage should be sent to F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville, N. C.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

J. M. Hilliard ..... High Point, N. C.
I. M. Mercer D D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler D. D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
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Floyd W. Fry ..... Mocksville N. C.
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J. D. Newton ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Jeff Lanning ..... Denton, N. C.
J. M. Williams ..... High Point, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

The 85th session of the Liberty Baptist association met with with the First Baptist church of Lexington on Tuesday Sept. 3 at 10 oclock A. M.

The opening devotional exercises were conducted by J. C. Gillespie,

The body was called to order by moderator R. S. Green. The roll was called and a majority of the churches were found to be present. The organization was effected by the election of the following officers:

Moderator R. S. Green
Vice Moderator Hoyle Love
Clerk Archibald Johnson
Treasurer G. W. Wall

J. S. Farmer of the Biblical Recorder was introduced to the association. The following new pastors were welcomed: Hoyle Love, L. M. Holloway, E. F. Hellard, J. C. Gillespie and R. E. White.

The order of business adopted by the association was as follows:

TUESDAY SEPREMBER 4TH.

9:30 A. M.	Devotional Exercises
11:00	Biblical Recorder
11:20	Womans Work
11:45	Annual Sermon

AFTERNOON

2:30 P. M.	Education
3:30	Orphanage

EVENING

8:00	State, Home and Foreign Missions

WEDNESDAY SEPTFMBER 5TH.

9:30 A. M.	Devotional Exercises
10:00	Sunday Schools
10:45	State of the churches
	Our Urgent Needs
	Pastoral Support

AFTERNOON

2:30 Ministers Relief

3:00 Appointment of Standing committees
Miscellaneous Business
Adjourn at will

The report on Biblical Recorder was as follows.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

Never before have we lived in a time like this. The foundations of our social and industrial life must be relaid. Old things are passing away and all things are becoming new. Old ideas, old practices, old opinions are giving way to new conditons which will emerge from the turmoil of war.

Likewise, our religious conditions will be greatly disturbed. Those not rooted and grounded in the faith are likely to be blown about by the various winds of doctrine that will sweep over the world. The "broad" church idea, so pleasing to the shallow and thoughtless and uninformed, will spread like a contagion.

If ever we needed a religious paper that stands on the walls of Zion and that sounds no uncertain note, that time is now.

The Recorder is sound to the core. It stands on the bedrock of truth, and is not afraid nor ashamed to defend the principles that we hold dear. In proportion as its circulation is extended, our steadiness and loyalty can be measured. We urge our people to take and read the Recorder and thus grow in wisdom and in grace.

The report was discussed by J. S. Farmer and R. E. White and adopted.

The Following report on Womans work was read by Archibald Johnson:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The record of the work of our women in the Liberty Association, elsewhere printed in these minutes, is one for which we should all be profoundly grateful.

From a small beginning, our earnest Christian women have toiled on undiscouraged and with unwavering faith, until they have come to occupy the leading place in contributions to our benevolent causes. We would earnestly urge the organization of societies in the fifteen churches that are without this organized band of women and children in our kingdom work. We give greeting to our sisters and pray that they may continue to sow the seed of Gospel truth beside all waters. We note with pleasure that Mrs. S. D. Swaim has been selected to lead the work in the Association succeeding Mrs. P. S. Vann who has removed to another section of the State, and who so faithfully and successfully led the societies while she lived among us.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

The report was discussed by R. E. White and L. M. Holloway who attended the recent meeting of the W. M. S. of the Liberty association held with the Jersey church, and by F. B. Hamrick. Adopted.

The annual sermon was preached by M. L. Kesler from Isaiah 53:11.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Walter N. Johnson Secretary of Missions was introduced to the body.

The report on the Baptist Orphanage read by B. C. Ingram was as follows.

ORPHANAGE.

No country is so remote or insignificant but feels the influence of the present war. Patriotism unsurpassed is exemplified in the sacrifices made on the part of men to meet the demands at this period. Our own country answers the call to duty, and the flower of our manhood crosses the seas to battle beyond. At this critical period in world history our national duty is magnified but not unduly. He who heeds not the call to his country's aid in the present crisis is saturated with the deepest ingratitude.

However, no one should let the far duty obscure the near. As Baptists of this State, of this Association, our Orphanage in our midst claims our attention more strongly than ever before. The prices of provisions are unprecedented. Whereas the cost of maintenance of a child nine years ago was less than $7.50 per month, today it is $12.12 per month. Four years ago 27 cents was the daily cost for the support of a child; today it is 40 cents for the child; 525 children already in our Orphanage are looking to us for food and clothing, physical, mental and spiritual training. Applications are received almost daily but for the lack of room many are turned away. As a consequence of this war the fatherless of our State will likely be increased. The orphan of the tenement sections of our cities, the abandoned child of the mill districts, call to us lest we overlook our obligations to them. Neglect them and the purity of our religion is questionable.

We urge pastors and laymen alike to stress once-a-month contributions from their Sunday Schools, and the giving of the income of one day. These saved us from debt the past year. They are our hope for the future.

B. C. INGRAM.

Pending its adoption the report was discussed by B. C. Ingram, M. L. Kesler and J. S. Farmer.— Report adopted.

Hubert M. Poteat of Wake Forest College was welcomed to a seat in the association.

The report on Christian Education was read by F. B. Hamrick and was as follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Christian Education was never more needed than today and our Christian schools have never had a finer opportunity to help and bless the world than they have today. One man has said that real education is so vitally related to religion that if the church of today neglects its Christian schools, she will suffer partial paralysis tomorrow, and if she abandons these schools she will lack both learning and leadership before the passing of this generation.

Whatever we put in our schools will appear sooner or later in the lives of our people. Efficiency in Christian education means service; efficiency in secular education, often means disaster, as illustrated in Germany.

From the churches one per cent. of our sons and daughters go to college and our schools have given back 85 per cent. of our pastors and 91 per cent. of our missionaries. Mr. Ebey in his book, "Christianity and Education," says, "While the religious schools as a whole have less than one-half of the number of students attending the State and municipal institutions, they have, nevertheless produced more than four times as many prominent men." And Mr. Provence is quoted as saying, "69 per cent. of the men of prominence in "Who's Who" came from Christian colleges. We learn from figures carefully compiled that of every 100 students entering Christian colleges unconverted, 75 learn to know and love Jesus, and from the same number entering state institutions only 25 are led into church membership. Thus we see that in the final test Christian education is justified by its product.

If there is any one thing the war has demonstrated, it is the practical value of education. When war was declared the War Department faced the necessity of finding a large number of officers and plans are now being perfected at our colleges to enroll as many future officers as possible. The officers of our American army are very largely college trained men. At the officers' training camp 85 per cent. are college students or college graduates. Our schools ought never again to lack money, they have demonstrated the value of the great investments that have been made in them. If the church is to keep pace with the times and commend its message to the world it too must have a highly trained leadership.

Among the colleges controlled by our denomination are, Wake Forest, Meredith and Chowan with a total enrollment of 1,082, 532 men and 550 women. There were 84 young men at Wake Forest last session preparing for the ministry, 73 of these received aid from the Board. At the Seminary there were 23 from this State

with 15 receiving aid from the Board. The boys enrolled in our fourteen high schools numbered 1301 and the girls 1253. The figures for this year will no doubt show a considerable decline in boys. Numbered with these schools is our own Liberty-Piedmont Institute, under the splendid management of G. C. Kirksey.

At the Convention in Durham last December, it was unanimously agreed that the Baptists of North Carolina be asked to undertake the task of raising a million dollars in four years for the enlargement and equipment of our schools. Under the leadership of Drs. Vann and Cullom the work is moving on triumphantly. This is a big task but someone has said that God can bless a big plan better than He can a little one. With the ever increasing enlargement and endowment of our State schools it would be a fearful calamity for us to only partially complete this task.

Our needs and perils are great and we would be slackers indeed not to measure up to this unparalleled opportunity.

Your committee would strongly urge that the Liberty Association fall in line with our denominational program and that we not only increase our gifts to the general fund but that we make a mighty effort in every church to do our part when the million dollar campaign is put on in our section. The amounts contributed by our people to the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. and Liberty Loan activities should teach us how to "go over the top" with ease. Liberty Bonds and War Stamps will be accepted as cash, hence one dollar will do the work of two, or as Dr. Gambrell says we may feed two chickens with the same corn. Brethren we are amply able to heed this cry and will we be swift to answer this far-seeing call?

Respectfully submitted,
F. B. HAMRICK,
L. A. SMITH, Committee.

Pending its adoption the report was discussed by F. B. Hamrick and H. M. Poteat.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Finance—Grover Palmer, N. R. Teague

Place and Preacher—C. M. Wall, O. E. Stoner J. O. Bower

To nominate executive committee for ensuing year B. C. Ingram, F. B. Hamrick, L. A. Smith.

The association adjourned with prayer by V. M. Swaim.

EVENING SESSION

The association was opened with prayer by J. D.

Newton—E. M. Poteat of Boston was introduced.

The report on State Missions was read by R. E. White.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by M. L. Kesler.

The report on Home Missions was read by L. M. Holloway

These reports follow:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The work of State Missions is fundamental in the program of the Kingdom. It is significant that our Lord in giving instructions to the disciples with reference to the world-wide proclamation of the Gospel commanded them to begin at Jerusalem. This was the logical and necessary order of procedure. It was not an arbitrary arrangement, but was in accordance with a clearly defined plan and was based upon a well-established principle. Jerusalem was the logical center of operations, the strategic point from which to work. The Gospel must first meet and conquer Judaism in its stronghold before it would be in a position to attack heathenism. And our experience in mission work has demonstrated the soundness of this principle. If we would "enlarge the peace of our tent and stretch forth the curtains of our habitation," if we would "lengthen our cords," we must not neglect to "strengthen our stakes."

Our growth as a denomination has been in proportion to the emphasis which we have laid upon the work of State Missions. This principle is well recognized by military strategists. No army can be maintained at the front without an adequate base of supplies.

Every department of our work is dependent for success upon a vigorous State Mission policy. And our State Mission work has been a feeder to all our denominational enterprises.

When a local Baptist church is organized by our Board and a competent man is located on the field a force is set in motion that gives impetus to all our denominational machinery. A stream is started that flows into all the channels of our denominational life.

State Missions is a dividend-paying investment from the standpoint of the enlargement of the kingdom. I haven't the figures at hand but I am safe in saying that for every dollar we have invested in State Missions we have received back into the denominational treasury more than five hundred dollars.

Some of our strongest churches were planted by the Board and are now large contributors to our general work.

But we have scarcely touched the great problem of evangelizing our State. There are many communities without adequate provision for their spiritual needs. We could easily spend double the amount we are now spending for this work.

There are many industrial communities which have sprung up almost like magic as a result of the marvelous development of hydro-electric power which are in need of the Gospel.

As a result of the unexampled wave of agricultural and commercial and industrial prosperity which is now sweeping over our State and over the South our people are becoming absorbed in worldliness and if we do not control this tide of material prosperity and turn it into the channels of the Kingdom we will be overwhelmed by it.

Our tSate Board is organized, aggressive, alert and if we will measure up to our obligation and our opportunity and give them sufficient capital to adequately finance this great enterprise of State Missions the results will be far beyond our fondest expectations.

Last year was by far the best year in the history of our State Mission Work and we should be profoundly grateful for the wonderful results accomplished and go forward to greater things this year.

We are seeking to raise for this work this year $50,000. Last year we gave $45,273. The following is a tabulation of the work for this year on the mission field: Churches served, 283; number missionaries, 161; conversions, 2,851; baptisms, 1,765; received by letter, 2 215; average Sunday school attendance, 17.264; Mission Study Classes, 77; men in Mission Study Classes, 256; houses of worship building, 37; houses of worship built, 11; churches organized, 14; number delegates attending denominational meetings, 1,208; number of business meetings this year, 1,720; pastoral conferences, 133; every-member canvasses, 178; sermons, 11,028; for missions undesignated, $2,322.29; for State Missions, $5,812 28; for Foreign Missions, $2,929.77; for Home Missions. $2,542.28; for Education $1,190.94; for Sunday School Missions, $876.25; for Ministers' Relief, $613.82; for Orphanage, $5,995.79; other objects, $19,043 42: amount raised for all church expenses except pastors' salary, $31,477.80. Amount paid on pastors' salary, $41,828.97.

Our State Mission work is now divided into five departments: (1) Evangelization, (2) Church Buildings, (3) Sunday Schools, (4) B. Y. P. U., (5) Woman's Missionary Union.

To these have been added two new departments:

1. Schools for Pastors and Workers—We held nine of these schools the past year with an enrollment of 500 students. Next year it is planned to hold sixty schools and we hope to enroll 3,000 students.

2. Colportage—The aim of this department is three-fold: (1) Selling good books, (2) distributing free tracts, (3) increasing the circulation of the Biblical Recorder.

Next year is the third year of the One Mission Drive. We must raise for State, Home, and Foreign Missions, $200,000.00.

But though we made a splendid record last year it is important

that each church which has not taken an offering for State Missions this year make as liberal an offering as possible for this object if we are to go to the Convention at Greensboro without a debt.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. WHITE.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Southern Baptist Convention in session at Hot Springs in May decided that in order to take care of our Foreign Mission work, Southern Baptists should be requested to give One and a Half Million Dollars to this cause before the next meeting of the Convention. Compared with Southern Baptist numbers and wealth, and with what they are doing for other objects and what others are doing for Foreign Missions, this amount is small.

The Foreign Mission fields represent a thousand millions of people, the most destitute and needy of all the inhabitants of the earth. The work conducted includes everything that our people and our churches are dong at home. A Milliond and a Half Dollars for this work will not equal a tenth of what we are doing on the same lines for the thirty-odd millions who live in the South, to say nothing of the help which other Christians and denominations are giving to provide religious privileges for the people at home. A Million and a Half Dollars is a great advance upon what we have been doing, and we will have to bestir ourselves to realize it, but it does not measure our full duty in this matter.

God's blessings are upon Foreign Missions. Even the war is helping instead of hindering this great enterprise which Southern Baptists are conducting. There were 6,290 baptisms last year. We have now 464 churches on all the fields, of which 141 have assumed self-support. We have a church membership above 53,000 with 715 Sunday Schools enrolling more than 34,000 scholars. In other schools which we are conducting we have enrolled nearly 9,000 scholars. We are conducting theological schools in Japan, China, Africa, Italy, South America. We have but few doctors under appointment, and yet these gave more than 100,000 treatments last year. By His blessing upon the work God is inviting us to enlarge it.

Eighteen new missionaries were appointed in June and many others are greatly needed. Doors of opportunity are open everywhere.

Every pastor and every church in the association is admonished to lay large plans, organize the forces, and press vigorously the greatest campaign we have ever undertaken for Foreign Missions. Every Christian in this nation is at this time called distinctly to this international Christian service. This association should undertake to raise a worthy part of the Million and a Half Dollars, and every church should voluntarily increase its contribution proportionately. The amount of increase for the whole South is 75 per cent. We recommend that the churches of the association

attempt the same increase.

The Home and Foreign Fields, price fifty cents, is recommended to all church members. The Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., furnishes free of charge tracts for distribution. Order this magazine and these tracts, and inform yourself concerning what God is doing through Southern Baptists throughout the world.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

We have many reasons for being thankful for the work of Home Missions for the past year. The churches have contributed splendidly to this noble part of our Master's work, yet perhaps there will be a greater need for the work of Home Missions in the year to come than there has been in the past.

There has been reported a larger number of baptisms than in any years of the past. The evangelistic force has been very busy with more demands for service than they could fill. Then our camp pastors have rendered a service that we will never be able to fully comprehend, our boys that have been called into the service have found them a present help in time of trouble, a friend in need and indeed. They have been there when the boys went to the camp to welcome them and to help them to adapt themselves to their new surroundings, and to feed them on the Bread of eternal life. We have placed our best and most consecrated men in the camps.

Then I might call your attention to the work in Cuba, Panama. also to our Church Building and Loan Fund. There are many homeless churches in the bounds of our Southern Baptist Convention, that need homes and need them very badly. This is some of the work that we have been doing and must continue to do.

We hope that each church in our Association will fully co-operate in every way that is possible with the Home Board and that the coming year will be the best year in all our history. The need is great, the opportunity is large, but if we will all be loyal to our Master and His work we can meet the need and use the opportunities that are presented to us, but we must be loyal to all the departments of the work if we accomplish what we should.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. HOLLOWAY.

The discussion of these reports was by Walter N. Johnson and E. M. Poteat.

Adjourned with prayer by Thomas Carrick.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 4th.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Forest C. Feezor.

Minutes of previous day were read and approved.

The committee to nominate the executive committee recommended the following brethren:

R. S. Green, Chairman ex-officio, M. L. Kesler, C. M. Wall, A. S. Miller, B. C. Ingram, H. Cleveland Myers.—Report adopted.

W. R. Cullom of Raleigh and V. M. Swaim of Winston-Salem were welcomed to seats in the body.

The report on Sunday schools was discussed by C. M. Wall and was as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No organization using the talents of any considerable number of people can be a success without an adequate number of officers to administer its affairs. Every Sunday School needs at least seven to ten general officers—pastor, superintendent, at least one associate superintendent, secretary and treasurer, director of music, organist or pianist. All of these officers should be recommended by the Sunday School and elected by the Church in conference.

The Pastor—

In most country churches the pastor can be present only once or twice a month, but when present ought to count more than any other officer if he uses his opportunity well. He is the inspirational leader of the whole enterprise. He must do everything he can to increase the membership and efficiency of the work. He ought to count much for the teaching of the word as well as preaching it.

The Superintendent—

Of course the superintendent is the officer who makes things go. This happens by securing the co-operation of his co-workers. He plans a program for the next Sunday and in this he uses as many classes and individuals as he can. He varies the program every Sunday by having something different just after the lesson period He begins on time, runs on time, and closes on time, if he makes a success of his school. He calls his teachers together once a week for lesson study and discussion of the same.

Who Should Attend Sunday School—

Of course the Pastor and all of the officers of the school, every member of the church. If the members will attend you will have no trouble in securing the boys and girls.

Benevolence—

Your committee earnestly recommends that a collection be taken one Sunday in every month for the Orphanage. Quite a few of our churches should support from one to two orphans. We also should make contributions to every object of the Convention. Every teacher should try to cultivate a spirit of benevolence and

see that every one in their class is trained to be a cheerful giver. We endorse the Sunday School work of our Convention under the direction of Secretary E. L. Middleton, who has been of incalculable help to our Sunday School work throughout the state.

C. M. WALL.

The report was discussed by C. M. Wall, R. E. White, Archibald Johnson and L. M. Holloway.

W. J. Russell and R. A. Hunicutt were introduced to the association, as was also Thomas Carrick of High Point.

The report of the executive committee was read by M. L. Kesler. Report on state of churches was read by I. M. Mercer. Report on Pastoral support was read by Archibald Johnson.

These reports were discussed by M. L. Kesler, I. M. Mercer, Archibald Johnson and R. E. White and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee for the Association begs leave to make the following report:

Following a purpose of long standing we have attempted to form the following fields:

We mention first the Denton field, composed of Denton, Lick Creek and Liberty Churches, with Bro. Hoyle Love as pastor, living at Denton. He has been on this field only three months. Thirty-two members have been added during this time, two Sunday schools, have been reorganized a Woman's Missionary Society has been organized. The plan of once-a-month collections for the Orphanage has been introduced in the Sunday Schools. One rally for the group of churches has been held. The building at Denton has been much improved. Paint and other material have been bought for improvements at Lick Creek.

Total contributions, $1,380.52.

The South Mont field is composed of Stoner's Grove and Holloways. We have been disappointed in not being able to bring another church into this combination for the first year of the work at least. Bro. Lloyd M. Holloway is pastor and lives at South Mont. He has been on this field for seven months. On this field some Sunday School institute work has been done with several members taking the normal manual. An every member canvass has been made at Stoner's Grove. The pastor plans grading the Sunday Schools and expects to organize a B. Y. P. U. Nine have been baptized. Total contributions, $918.92.

Erlanger, perhaps, offers the most promising new field in the

Association. Bro. J. C. Gillespie of Norwood, has been serving this point since January. Our work there can never be successfully prosecuted until we have a house of our own. The Union Chapel is open to us only for preaching services. We can have no Sunday School of our own. We hope to secure a lot in the near future. The work has been held together. The people are liberal and ready to move forward when the time comes for aggressive work. A Woman's Missionary Society and Sunbeam Band have been organized. Nine have been received by letter. Contributions to all purposes, $502.59.

The work at Thomasville deserves special mention. The burden there for the present is a church debt. About $1,500 have been raised this year, and plans are on foot for raising $6,500 during the coming year. A part of it has already been provided for. The outlook is bright. There have been 29 additions by baptism and 33 by letter. Contributions to all purposes, $3,460.00.

M. L. KESLER,
Chairman Executive Committee.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES

Our minutes of last year recorded a total of 140 baptisms in the Association. The letters this year report a total of 338, an increase of 198. The total gains in membership last year were 322, the net gain 55. The total gains for this year are 444, the net gain 293. This is our largest net gain for some years, five times what it was last year. For this marked increase in baptisms and net gain we can be deeply grateful.

Last year the total of pastors' salaries was $5.139.46, this year $5,304.82, an increase of $165.36.

For the various causes of the denomination the figures are as follows:

	Last Year	This Year	Increase
State Missions.....	$ 645.09	$ 822.65	$ 177.56
Home Missions.....	375.24	709.37	334.13
Foreign Missions....	634.98	791.28	156.30
Christian Education..	136.22	185.85	49.63
Orphanage	1,080.42	1,274.59	194.17
Ministers' Relief.....	80.97	122.38	41.41
Other Objects.....	1,733.57	6,466.23	4,732.66

How truly thankful we ought to be for these figures which show that for **every one** of our benevolent or denominational objects we have made a substantial increase, the total increase for these objects being $953.20, or 32 per cent. Under the head of other objects are included monies expended for church buildings improvements and church debts, and the handsome sum of $6,466.23 tells the good story that our churches are removing debts and enlarging and improving their buildings. This reveals that our people have a heart for the work of the Lord, and we know that better and more attractive churches lead to larger congregations

and increasing numbers for the kingdom.

It is exceedingly gratifying to call attention to the fact that we have today more resident pastors and more whole fields entirely within the Association than ever before. This happy condition is due largely to the wise and constructive work of our Executive Committee, and to them hearty thanks are due.

To sum it up, our Association as a whole, has had an excellent year. God has been gracious to us, to Him be all the glory. Let the goodness of God lead us forth to even larger and better service in this coming year. I. M. MERCER.

PASTORAL SUPPORT.

According to the minutes of last year our 26 churches paid their pastors $5,179.46, which was an average of $199.21 each. Fourteen of these churches pay more than $100 a year for pastoral service, four pay exactly $100 a year, and the remainder less than $100, the salaries of these latter ranging from $35.00 to $75.00 a year.

Many of our churches—the most of them—have a low conception of the value of their pastor's work; and with this low estimate of the worth of the pastor it is not surprising that they fall so far short of their duty in the promotion of the Kingdom at home and abroad.

The Executive Committee have striven for the past several years to induce our churches to group themselves into convenient fields, and settle a pastor among them who will be able to properly cultivate the field without undue loss of time and labor.

There is not a church of as many as 50 members in the Liberty Associations that cannot pay $500 a year for the support of its pastor; and yet some churches with twice that number are content to pay their pastors the meagre sum of $100 a year or $2.00 for each member, for a whole year.

Everything has gone skyward except the pastor's salary. Some of our churches are paying now exactly what they paid their pastors 25 years ago. We cannot hope for any great forward movement from churches that place so little value on the service of their pastors.

But there are other things than financial support that our pastors must have in order to do their best work. There are tokens of affection and of appreciation that are of more value to him than money. We should find joy in our expressions of loyalty and love not so much by our words as by our deeds—those extra marks of appreciation that mean more than the cold cash we pay him for his service.

The pastoral relation is one of the most precious and beautiful of all human relations but those relations can not be fully established between a church and an absentee pastor, however faithful and consecrated he may be. He must be one of us, not once a month, but all the time.

And so, we would earnestly recommend that any church in this

body that gives unworthy and inadequate support to its pastor, either financial or moral, change its attitude in this vital matter, and ask the Lord for forgiveness for the past, and for direction for the future. ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

The moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports for next session:

State Missions.....Rev. M. L. Kesler, D. D.
Foreign Missions.....Rev. Hoyle Love
Home Missions.....Rev. I. M. Mercer, D. D.
Sunday Schools.....Rev. R. E. White
Orphanage.....Rev. L. M. Holloway
Education.....Rev. B. C. Ingram
Biblical Recorder.....Rev. G. C. Kirksey
Ministerial Relief.....A. S. Miller
Pastoral Support.....C. M. Wall
State of Churches.....Archibald Johnson
Woman's Work.....F. B. Hamrick
Our Urgent Needs.....Open Discussion

The body adjourned for dinner after prayer by C. E. Taylor.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The association was opened with prayer by W. R. Cullom.

Report on Minister's Relief was prepared by B. R. Cross and was as follows:

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST MINISTERS' RELIEF WORK.

The Baptist Ministers' Relief Board was established twenty-eight years ago. During that time it has brought relief to one hundred and twenty-three needy beneficiaries—ministers and widows of ministers. There are at present thirty-seven on the Board. There are several applications pending, showing that the increase of beneficiaries may be expected to continue. The beneficiaries receive from twenty-five to two hundred dollars per year. Many of them need more. Some of them have no other means of support. That the aid extended may be adequate to the needs of the beneficiaries, it is frequently necessary to increase the appropriations.

It is the aim of this Board that no one who has been a worthy proclaimer of God's truth shall suffer for the necessities of life. We desire that every Baptist of the State shall share this ambition with us, and contribute towards its accomplishment. Many of our people already give gladly to this work, but many of the churches of the State contribute nothing.

We do, therefore, urge that each church of this association make regular contributions to this object, just as to State Missions and Orphanage, and that the amount be equal to five per cent of the amount paid to the pastor. Our last meeting of the Conventi- recommended that every church in the State give to Ministers' Relief an amount equal to five per cent of the salary it pays its pastor.

In accord with the recommendation of the Baptist State Convention at its meeting at Wilson, we urge, in the second place, that each pastor present the needs and worthiness of this object to his people, and that a special collection for this work be taken on the Sunday nearest to Christmas on which the church may have services. Let it be clearly understood, however, that the Christmas offering is a special offering, not to be used to pay the church's pledge to this object, but separate and distinct from it. A Christmas check is sent to each beneficiary.

B. R. CROSS.

The report was discussed by V. M. Swaim and adopted, with the recommendation that the churches be requested to contribute 5 percent of the amount they pay for pastor's salary to Minister's Relief.

The following resolution was offered by R. E. White and adopted:

Resolved that the clerk be instructed to increase the apportionment of the churches for all the objects of the convention ten percent, except state missions, which is to be increased 25 percent, with the request that the churches accept this apportionment at their first regular conference meeting.

W. R. Cullom by invitation of the association explained the million dollar campaign for education.

The following delegates were appointed to attend the Baptist state Convention at Greensboro. J. F. Yokeley, E. O. Stoner, and W. B. Russell.

Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention; R. E. White, I. M. Mercer, alternate.

The committee on Place and Preacher for the next a sociation recommended Denton as the place and R. E. White the preacher; G. C. Kirksey alternate. The report was adopted.

A motion was made and carried that 500 copies of the minutes be published and $10. be paid the clerk for his service.

I. M. Mercer read the following memorial report which was ordered to be spread upon the minutes:

MEMORIAL OF REV. HENRY SHEETS AND REV. FRED D. HALE.

Rev. Henry Sheets was born in Randolph County, Dec. 15, 1843, but was raised in Davidson after he became five or six years of age. He was licensed to preach Sept .27, 1873 at Tom's Creek church, and ordained to the full ministry at the same church Sept. 23, 1877. His first pastorate was at Corinth church in Rowan county, his work there beginning January, 1877. During his long ministry he served nearly 30 churches in six different counties. The most of his work, however, was done in the Liberty Association and at one time or another he was pastor of nearly every church in its bounds. Indeed a goodly number of these churches were brought into existence by means of his faithful and tireless ministry.

Brother Sheets was also the efficient clerk of the Liberty Association for 32 years continuously, except for three years when he served as moderator. He wrote and published in the latter years of his life "A History of the Liberty Association," a labor of love which he performed with thoroughness and excellent taste.

Such is a brief outline of Brother Sheets' labors and services. But the real history of his life is written in the experience of the many souls he was instrumental in bringing into eternal life and the many Christian characters he helped to develop and lead forth into the everlasting beauty of holiness.

As a pastor and preacher how many admirable qualities he manifested. He was a devout and faithful student of the Word, a true and fearless interpreter and preacher of it in the pulpit, and a strong expositor and defender of the tenets and doctrines of his own people. He believed in the whole work of the Kingdom of God and sought to develop his churches in all forms of Christian activity both at home and unto the utermost parts of the earth.

In his pastoral relations he was wise, tender and earnest, being indeed the friend and brother of every one in his churches, entering with his whole heart into all the joys and sorrows and experiences of his people. He was greatly loved by hundreds to whom he had ministered, and today it may be truly said of him that he "being dead yet speaketh."

Rev. Fred D. Hale, D.D., the late pastor of the Lexington church, was a native of Alabama. Most of his ministry was spent in other states, particularly Kentucky and Missouri. He had two pastorates in this state, at Wilmington and in Lexington, the latter

being his last. This pastorate in our Association, though brief, was a glorious an dfruitful one, and the good work he did here will not soon lose its results.

Brother Hale in his preaching was noted for his accuracy of interpretation, soundness and vigor in reasoning, clearness in statement and earnestness in delivery and application. As a pastor he kept faithfully in touch with his people and sought in every way to see them grow in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord. As a church leader he was constructive and aggressive, ever eager to see his people about the Master's business.

He was always literally and truly "diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.' Having finished his course and kept the faith he has gone to receive that crown of righteousness which the Lord will give to every one that has loved His appearing.

The report was discussed by I. M. Mercer, C. M. Wall Arichibald Johnson, V. M. Swaim, R. E. White and Thomas Carrick.

The following resolution was adopted in connection with the report on State Missions:

RESOLUTION.

Resolved:

(1) That the Liberty Association join heartily with our Board of Missions in the effort to add 12,000 new subscribers to the list of the Biblical Recorder, and that we undertake to secure 150 of these subscribers in this session of the Association; that we apportion to each church of the Association one new subscriber to every twenty of its membership; and that we send statement of its apportionment to each church directly from this Association with the request that the church pass on this matter at its first conference after the Association and that the new subscribers be secured and forwarded at once to the Board of Missions.

(2) That in order to reach some of the people in our churches who do not take the Recorder, and as an aid to our churches in keeping the Recorder and other phases of our work before their members, we recommend that the churches of this Association take a club of the Monthly Bulletin printed by the Board of Missions, each copy enclosing also a great tract, at the rate of $1.00 per dozen per year.

(3) That this Association co-operate with the Board of Missions in the location and operation of one of the simultaneous and uniform Schools of Pastors and Workers to be held each year within the boundaries of this Association.

The following resolution was read and heartily adopted by the association:

Resolved, that the asscciation hereby expresses its appreciation of the cordial hospitality of the people of Lex-

ington and of the pleasure and profit we have derived from the kindly entertainment in the homes of our brethren. On motion the association adjourned.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON
Clerk

R. S. GREEN
Moderator

ENROLLMENT OF DELEGATES

Abbotts Creek—C. H. Teague, N. R. Teague.
Center Hill—A. V. Miller.
Churchland—S. G. Hasty.
Denton—W. B. Russell.
Erlanger—L. O. Bishop, J. W. Aycock.
Gravel Hill—A. A. Loftin, W. D. Loftin, W. H. Kearns.
Holloways—N. E. Shirley, Grover C. Salmer.
Huldah—Represented by letter.
Jersey—L. A. Smith, J. D. Palmer.
Lexington—C. D. Hunt, A. L. Pickard, J. J. Hitchcock.
Liberty—S. H. Kindley, A. S. Miller, A. E. Watford.
Lick Creek—P. M. Snider.
New Friendship—A. P. Snider, Eugene Snider, Alfred Hartman, C. F. Motsinger.
Oak Grove—Ash Johnson.
Oak Hill—Represented by letter.
Orphanage—M. L. Kesler, F. B. Hamrick, Miss Sallie McCracken.
Reeds—D. C. Craver, J. A. Myers, James C. Leonard.
Rich Fork—T. H. Small, Robt. Bowers, G. T. Everhart.
Smith Grove—R. H. Beck, L. T. Yarborough.
Stoner's Grove—S. E. Wofford, L. C. Lomax, C. C. Wrenn.
Summerville—Arthur Bean.
Taylor's Grove—A. A. Michael, D. M. Summey.
Thomasville—R. S. Green, L. E. Teague, Mrs. Bettie Robbins.
Wallburg—C. M. Wall, E. E. Jenkins, C. C. Smith.
Walter's Grove—N. H. Prevo.
Welcome—Beatrice Zimmerman.

According to instructions from the Association the following apportionment table has been prepared for the guidance of the churches in arranging their finances for the coming year:

CHURCHES	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Christian Ed'n.	Orphanage	Minister's Relief
Abbotts Creek	$18.15	$ 8.80	$22.00	$ 5.50	$ 5.50	$63.00	$ 4.95
Center Hill	13.00	5.00	12.00	4.00	3.50	10.00	4.75
Churchland	30.80	17.25	23.25	.....	.....	135.00	.....
Denton	46.00	42.50	49.87	.....	14.00	68.90	5.00
Erlanger	37.50	14.60	22.00	5.50	6.60	11.00	5.50
Gravel Hill	4.40	2.25	5.75	.....	.....	11.00	3.50
Holloways	11.20	6.75	13.20	1.10	5.50	17.60	5.50
Huldah	1.10	1.10	1.10	.....	.....	3.30	.....
Jersey	38.60	24.75	35.75	3.30	11.00	49.75	6.60
Lexington	187.50	190.00	154.75	.....	5.50	229.00	5.50
Liberty	18.75	7.70	15.40	1.10	3.30	14.30	3.30
Lick Creek	12.50	8.80	8.25	.....	6.00	12.10	3.30
New Friendship	18.75	17.15	17.15	3.30	4.40	17.00	4.40
Oak Grove	1.25	1.10	1.10	.....	.....	6.25	1.10
Oak Hill	.....	10.15	8.00	.....	.....	3.00	.....
Orphanage	159.07	202.00	170.00	8.40	77.80	225.00	27.50
Reeds	23.10	22.00	33.00	1.70	5.50	35.25	5.50
Rich Fork	35.00	18.70	33.00	12.10	8.00	27.50	8.15
Smith Grove	5.00	4.50	3.40	.....	.....	13.50	2.00
Stoner's Grove	60.80	33.75	41.75	20.75	12.75	90.00	11.00
Summerville	5.00	3.75	7.40	.....	.....	3.35	.....
Taylor's Grove	2.80	2.20	2.20	1.10	.....	4.40	1.10
Thomasville	131.53	88.25	152.62	5.50	22.00	260.00	17.00
Wallburg	100.00	57.30	48.50	11.00	13.00	88.35	11.00
Walter's Grove	1.25	1.00	1.00	.50	1.00	2.50	.50
Welcome	9.00	5.50	5.50	1.00	2.50	7.70	3.30

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

1st. This Association shall be called the Liberty Baptist Association.

2nd. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers who are members of, and those who may have pastoral charges within the Associational district, and of the three delegates from each church in the district aforesaid.

3rd. The said delegates before taking their seats shall produce letters from their respective churches, showing their appointment as delegates.

4th. The Associational session shall be held at least once a year.

5th. The officers shall be Moderator and Clerk and if deemed expedient by the Association, a Treasurer likewise.

6th. The Moderator shall be chosen annually, but the Clerk shall continue in office at the pleasure of the Association.

7th. The Association shall be clothed with authority only to advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interest, but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in reference to their own government or internal polity.

8th. A committee of arrangements, consisting of three members shall be appointeo on the first day of each session, to prepare and report an order of proceedings; and to suggest topics proper for the consideration and action of the Association; and the said committee shall report promptly on the morning of the second day of the Association.

9th. (As amended) Baptist ministers, not members of the Association, or any visiting brother from sister Associations, who may be present at any session of the body, may, on invitation of the body take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.

10th. At each session of the Association there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of five, three of whom shall constitute a quorum, whose duty it shall be to superintend, and in conjunction with the Missionary Boards of the Baptist State Couvention of North Carolina, direct the missionary operations of this Association.

11th. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

12th. This Constitution may be altered oniy at an annual session of this Association and by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body present.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. This Association shall meet punctually each day at the hour appointed, and on the appearance of a quorum, the Moderator shall cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read.

2nd. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions or points of order, subject to an appeal from his decision to the Association.

3rd. The Moderator shall be entitled to vote only in case of an equal division of the Association.

4th. He shall not parcipate in debate except on points of order, unless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall have called another member to the chair.

5th. Members shall in debate, or on rising to make a motion, address themselves to the Moderator.

6th. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall designate the person who shall first occupy the floor.

7th. No member shall absent himself from the session of the Association without its leave.

8th. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence to the order in which they stand here arrayed.

9th. All committees, unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of three members only.

10th. A committee shall be appointed on the first day of every session to designate ministers to preach during the session of the Association.

11th. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Moderator, unless it receive a second.

12th No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the body.

13th. No member shall speak more than twice on any question unless by consent of the Association.

14th. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read publicly in the Association on the second day of every session.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of Liberty Association met in its 12th annual session with the Jersey Baptist Church on August 29th, 1918, at 10 o'clock with Mrs. S. D. Swaim as temporary chairman. After a hymn Mrs. Swaim read from John 6:27-40 and Rev. P. E. White of Lexington led in prayer.

On motion Mrs. Swaim was elected permanent chairman.

Miss Troy Sharpe extended a very cordial welcome to all the visitors, which was responded to by Mrs. R. S. Green of the Thomasville Church. After this one verse of America was enthusiastically sung by all present.

Mrs. Mary Barnes and Miss Gurtha Williams of Churchland, Mrs. W. L. Fargis of Spencer, Mrs. Hoyle Love and Mrs. Holloway of Denton, were recognized and welcomed; the first three as visitors, the last two named as newcomers of our Association.

Delegates were present from all but one Society.

One new W. M. S. was reported at Erlanger, and two Sunbeam Bands; one at Erlanger and one at Denton, and a G. A. at Thomasville. Reports were given from all societies represented, followed by a short talk. Some showed a substantial increase, while others had fallen back.

The former superintendent being absent, there was no annual report from her and the discussions on various subjects were then entered into.

A report on Foreign Missions was read by Mrs. C. R. Sharpe, followed by the announcement by Mrs. Swaim that a foreign missionary is to go out from the Lexington Church. Mr. Arthur Gallimore who is to sail at an early date and be located at Yingtak, China.

Mrs. M. L. Kesler discussed Home Missions and some of the tasks confronting this great work. Miss Sallie McCracken made a talk on the James Smith Memorial and had a very encouraging report to make on what has already been contributed to this important phase of our work, along with facts and statistics as to the good done to needy churches by this fund.

A letter of greeting from Mrs. P. S. Vann, the former faithful and beloved superintendent of the Woman's Missionary Union assembled was read and the secretary instructed to convey to her in a letter the appreciation of her past services and the good wishes of the Union for her happiness and prosperity. A prayer was offered, led by Mrs. C. M. Wall, in Mrs. Vann's behalf, and for the recovery of her sister, who has been seriously ill.

A paper on "How a Church Would Develop Along Missionary Lines Without a Woman's Missionary Society" was read by Mrs. R. S. Green.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominating Committee—Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. S. E. Warfford, Mrs. C. M. Wall.

Apportionment Committee—Miss Sallie McCracken, Miss Roxie Sheets, Miss Esther Cross, Miss Troy Sharpe, Miss Lula Motsinger.

Committee on Time and Place—Mrs. John Penninger, Mrs. B. F. Lee, Mrs. J. E. Childers, Mrs. L. F. Barr, Miss Bessie Smith.

Committee on Resolutions—Miss Pauline Olive, Miss Tela Beanblossom, Mrs. Harry G. Sharpe, Mrs. N. C. Martin, Miss Thelma Lee.

The Obituary Committee having been made a standing committee, this was continued from last year.

The meeting was adjourned for dinner after a prayer led by Mrs. Swaim, all joining in the Lord's Prayer at the close.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The session was opened with a song and Mrs. S. D. Swaim read the 37th Psalm. Mrs. Kesler lead in prayer.

Miss Pauline Olive talked on "Personal Service" and "War Work Activities"—increasing our efforts along these lines but not at the expense of missions. Every one present was thrilled as she brought her message and made clear our duty of being loyal to our Master and the denominational work during these trying times, along with being loyal to the demands of our government and our duty to the men at the front who are offering their lives in sacrifice for us.

Rev. L. M. Holloway, of Southmont, being present, on invitation gave some words of encouragement and promise of support to the work the women are doing.

Rev. R. E. White came into the pulpit and after reading a portion of the 15th chapter of Matthew gave an inspiring discourse from Matt. 15:28. At the close of this Rev. L. M. Holloway made the request that it be made a subject of special prayer during the coming year that some young woman from this Association may feel called of God to enter the Training School to prepare herself for better service for her Lord.

A beautiful song by Miss Pauline Olive was rendered and touched all hearts.

The committees made their reports as follows:

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Your Committee on Nominations begs leave to submit the following:

For Superintendent—Mrs. S. D. Swaim.

Y. W. A. and Junior Work Superintendent—Miss Pauline Olive.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. R. S. Green.

The Executive Committee is continued from last year. Adopted.

REPORT FROM APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE

The Committee on Apportionments recommends that we take for our aim this year $1,250.00 to be apportioned among the societies as follows:

Woman's Missionary Society

Denton	$ 55.00
Erlanger	26.50
Holloways	55.00
Jersey	55.00
Lexington	200.00
Orphanage	300.00
Reed's	12.50
Stoner's Grove	40.00
Thomasville	175.00
Wallburg	60.00

Sunbeams

Erlanger	$ 10.00
Holloways	12.00
Lexington	27.50
Reed's	6.00
Stoner's Grove	16.00
Thomasville	22.50
Wallburg	17.50
Denton	10.00

Young Woman's Auxiliary

Lexington B. Y. P. U.	$ 17.00
Orphanage	15.00

R. A.

Lexington	$ 17.50

Miss Sallie McCracken,
Miss Roxie Sheets,
Miss Esther Cross,
Miss Troy Sharpe,
Miss Lula Motsinger,
Committee.

Adopted.

The Committee on Time and Place reported as follows: We, the Committee on Time and Place, recommend that the Union meet with Wallburg Baptist Church in August, 1919.

Mrs. John Penninger,
Mrs. B. F. Lee,
Mrs. J. E. Childers,
Mrs. L. T. Barr,
Miss Bessie Smith,
Committee.

Adopted.

The Obituary Committee reported the names of the following ladies from their respective societies who have passed away during the year: Mrs. J. A. Penninger, Lexington; Mrs. John Sharpe, Jersey; Mrs. Lurline Tysinger, Thomasville; Mrs. M. P. Huette, Orphanage; Mrs. P. N. Motsinger; Wallburg.

Truly, a considerable number has fallen in our ranks during the year, yet the work must go on. Let us take courage and go forward in the strength of our Lord, emulating the worthy example of those gone before.

Mrs. R. S. Green,
Mrs. J. W. Tuttle,
Mrs. Ernest Warfford,
Mrs. L. F. Barr,
Committee.

Adopted.

Committee on Resolutions made the following report:

Whereas, the Woman's Missionary Society of the Jersey Church has so cordially and heartily welcomed us to meet with them in this our annual meeting, therefore, be it resolved:

First. That we extend our thanks to the Hospitality Committee for their warm welcome and greetings at the train and church entrance, thereby making us feel perfectly at home in the very beginning.

Second. That we extend our thanks to the Woman's Missionary Society of Jersey Church for the delightful dinner.

Third. We wish to express our sincere thanks to Mrs. Swaim for presiding in the absence of Mrs. Vann, our superintendent.

Fourth. The singing of Miss Pauline Olive has been greatly enjoyed and we esteem it a privilege to have heard her.

Fifth. It has been a great privilege and pleasure to each one to have heard Revs. R. E. White and L. M. Holloway. Adopted.

The business of the Association having been completed, all joined in singing "Blest be the tie that binds," and the meeting adjourned with a prayer by Mrs. R. S. Green.

MRS. D. S. SWAIM,
Associational Superintendent.

MRS. R. S. GREEN,
Recording Secretary.

The following report will show the contributions from the different societies during the year:

FINANCIAL TABLE—WOMANS' MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Denton—

Foreign Missions	$19.20
Home Missions	16.70
State Missions	12.00
Orphanage	15.50
Louisville Training School	7.70
Church Building Loan Fund	7.85
Total	$78.95

No. members 11. Mrs. Hoyle Love, President; Mrs. Mary E. Davis, Secretary and Treasurer.

Erlanger—just organized.

Church Building Loan Fund.....$ 3.35

Total .....$ 3.35

No. members 10. Mrs. J. A. Lomis, President; Mrs. N. C. Martin, Secretary; Mrs. L. O. Bishop, Treasurer.

Holloway's—

Foreign Missions	$15.00
Home Missions	10.00
State Missions	10.00
Training School	5.00
Church Building Loan Fund	6.50
State Expense Fund	2.00
Association Expense Fund	1.00
Other Objects	.50
Total	$50.00

No. members 99. Miss Esther Cross, President; Mrs. W. L Collins, Secretary; Mrs. B. R. Cross, Treasurer.

Jersey—

Foreign Missions	$ 7.56
Home Missions	$11.54
State Missions	5.88
Total	$24.98

No. members 23. Mrs. R. L. Palmer, President; Miss Troy Sharpe, Secretary; Miss Bessie Smith, Treasurer.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions	$50.00
Home Missions	48.20
State Missions	30.00
Church Building Loan Fund	67.80
Training School	5.00
State Expense Fund	1.20
Association Expense Fund	.50
Other Objects	12.00
Total	$214 70

No. members 48. Mrs. J. E. Childers, President; Mrs. J. W. Lancaster, Secretary; Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Treasurer.

Orphanage—

Foreign Missions	$98 68
Home Missions	73 63
State Missions	61.62
Church Building Loan Fund	49.24
Christian Education	33.45
Louisville Training School	12.37
State Expense Fund	3.50
Association Expense Fund	1.50

Other Objects 293.68

Total $627 67

Mrs. Mary Wade, President; Miss Sallie McCracken, Secretary-Treasurer.

Stoner's Grove—

Foreign Missions	$10.00
Home Missions	5.50
State Missions	5.65
Church Building Loan Fund	8.85
Training School	3.00
State Expense Fund	.75
Total	$33.75

No. members 19. Mrs. L. M. Holloway, President; Miss Lola Feezor, Secretary; Mrs. S. E. Warfford. Treasurer.

Thomasville—

Foreign Missions	$54.00
Home Missions	40.13
State Missions	41.06
Church Building Loan Fund	30.07
Training School	5.00
State Expense Fund	2.80
Total	$173.06

No. members 27. Mrs. R. S. Green, President; Mrs. C. F. Lambeth, Secretary; Mrs. A. Johnson, Treasurer.

Wallburg—

Foreign Missions	$ 9.50
Home Missions	21.85
State Missions	6.25
Church Building Loan Fund	1.80
Christian Education	1.85
Training School	1.75
State Expense Fund	.60
Total	$43.60

No. members 12. Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, President; Mrs. J. B. Motsinger, Secretary-Treasurer.

FINANCIAL TABLE—SUNBEAM BANDS.

Erlanger—just organized.

Church Building Loan Fund	$ .26
Total	$ .26

No. members 22. Officers not reported.

Holloway's—

Foreign Missions	$ 4.00
Home Missions	2.00

State Missions 2.00
Church Building Fund..... 1.00
Training School 1.00

Total $10.00

No. members 41. Leader, Mrs. H. Johnson; President, Severa Cross; Secretary, Ida Beamblossom; Treasurer, Lacy Crook.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions .....$ 2.00
Christmas Offering .....$ 1.45
Home Missions 2.14
Church Building Loan Fund..... 4.16
Louisville Training School..... 4.00

Total $13.75

Leader, Mrs. C. R. Sharpe; President, Mildred Conrad; Treasurer, Mary Edna Miller.

Thomasville—

Foreign Missions .....$ 1.90
Home Missions 11.52
State Missions 6.87

Total $20.29

Leader, Mrs. C. F. Lambeth; President, Claude Green; Secretary, Aliceteen Westmoreland.

No reports were sent in from Wallburg or Reed's Sunbeam Bands.

FINANCIAL TABLE—ROYAL AMBASSADOR BAND.

Lexington—

Foreign Missions .....$ 1.55
Home Missions 4.00
State Missions 2.15
Church Building Loan Fund..... 7.45

Total $15.15

No. members 22. Mrs. L. F. Barr, Leader; Ralph Pickard, Secretary.

Orphanage—

Foreign Missions .....$ 7.41
Home Missions 3.59
State Missions 2.75
Training School ..... .31

Total $13.97

No. members 22. Leader, Miss Pauline Olive; President. Miss Celeste Chambers; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Era Rhyne.

TABULATED REPORT OF ALL SOCIETIES.

Woman's Missionary Societies.

No. Societies		9
No. members		179
Contributions—		
Foreign Missions	$	263.94
Home Missions		227.55
State Missions		172.46
Orphanage		15.50
Church Building Loan Fund		175.46
Louisville Training School		39 82
Christian Education		35 30
State Expense Fund		10.85
Associational Expense Fund		3.00
Other objects		306.18
Total	$	1 250.06

Sunbeams

No. Societies		6
No. members		138
Contributions—		
Foreign Missions	$	9.05
Home Missions		15.66
State Missions		8 87
Church Building Loan Fund		5.32
Training School		5.16
Total	$	44.06

R. A.

No. Societies		1
No. members		22
Contributions—		
Foreign Missions	$	1.55
Home Missions		4.00
State Missions		2 15
Church Building Loan Fund		7.45
Total	$	15.15

Young Woman's Auxiliary

Societies		1
Members		22
Contributions—		
Foreign Missions	$	7.41
Home Missions		3.50
State Missions		2.75
Training School		.31
Total	$	13.97

Totals for All Societies

Foreign Missions	$ 282,25
Home Missions	250.71
State Missions	186.23
Orphanage	15.50
Church Building Loan Fund	188 17
Louisville Training School	45.93
Christian Education	35.30
State Expense Fund	10.85
Association Expense Fund	3.00
Other objects	306.18
Grand Total	$1 320.10

LIST OF DELEGATES WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Denton—Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. N. A. Hedrick, Mrs. Hoyle Love.

Holloways—Miss Esther Cross, Miss Tela Beanblossom.

Erlanger—Mr. N. C. Martin.

Jersey—Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. W. L. Smith, Mrs. L. E. Smith, Mrs. M. C. Snider, Mrs. D. C. Sharpe, Mrs. Ira Sharpe, Mrs. M. Smith, Miss Troy Sharpe, Miss Bessie Smith, Miss Mary Snider.

Lexington—Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. B. F. Lee, Mrs. C. R. Sharpe, Mrs. H. G. Sharpe, Mrs. J. E. Childers, Mrs. S. D. Swaim, Mrs. S. E. Miller, Mrs. G. W. Miller..

Orphanage—Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Miss Sallie McCracken.

Stoner's Grove—Mrs. S. E. Warfford, Mrs. A. T. Warfford, Miss Vicky Mahaly.

Thomasville—Mrs. R. S. Green.

Wallburg—Mrs. C. M. Wall, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, Mrs. J. B. Motsinger, Miss Lula Motsinger.

Sunbeams

Holloways—Miss Severa Cross.

Erlanger—Mrs. N. C. Martin.

Lexington—Eugenia Webster, Grace Swaim, Mary Edna Miller, Mildred Conrad, Gilmer Swaim.

Thomasville—Represented by letter.

Wallburg—Mrs. J. W. Tuttle.

Royal Ambassador

Lexington—Mrs. L. F. Barr.

Young Woman's Auxiliary

Orphanage—Miss Pauline Olive.

MRS. S. D. SWAIM,
Associate Superintendent.
MRS. R. S. GREEN,
Recording Secretary and Treasurer of Woman's Work, Liberty Association.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPERINTENDENT AND POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE	Number of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Toal Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Bapt'sms From School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	TOTAL
Abbotts Creek	S. D. Hayworth, High P't.	Grey Seward, High Point.	1	7	95	102	60	12	6	$40.00	.....	$27.00	.....	$ 67.00
Center Hill	C. A. Owen, Lexington	S. E. Jarrett, Lexington	1	6	42	48	32	10	1	8.06	.....	.....	28.00	36.06
Churchland	W. H. Lomax, Linwood R. 3	Mrs. D. A. Tysinger, R 1.	1	9	100	109	60	12	10	50.48	.....	40.65	.....	91 13
Denton	W. B. Russell, Denton	Miss Bessie Tysinger ,D'tn	1	7	143	150	90	12	12	53.89	.....	14.98	.....	68.87
Erlanger	(Union School)	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gravel Hill	W. D. Loflin, Riley's Store	Jas. Vuncannon, Riley's St	1	7	108	115	....	12	4	10.00	.....	4.24	.....	14.24
Holloways	B. R. Cross, High Rock	D. R. Beanblossom, High R	1	6	85	91	60	12	....	8.50	.....	7.00	.....	15.50
Huldah	No report	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	R. A. Tate, Linwood, R 2	1	8	67	75	....	12	2	11.07	.....	20.25	12.00	43.32
Lexington	L. A. Martin, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	1	18	240	258	190	12	....	176.99	53.50	209.92	.....	440.41
Liberty	T. G. Kindley, Lexington	Ola Hefler, Hannersville	1	6	36	42	20	6	3	2.59	.....	4.40	.....	6.99
Lick Creek	J. G. Feezor, High Rock	Miss Fssie Skeen, H Rock	1	7	35	42	....	6	1	3.80	.....	5.00	.....	8.80
New Friendship	Elmer Snyder, W.-Salem.	John Wilson, W-Salem	1	5	66	71	....	12	....	6.50	.....	.....	.....	6.50
Oak Grove	T. N. Brendle, W.-Salem.	Ash Johnson, W.-Salem	1	4	39	43	18	12	15	4.54	.....	1.10	.....	5.64
Oak Hill	G. T. Royall, Thomasville	Tressie Welborn, Thomvl.	1	5	35	40	20	6	4	3.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00
Orphanage	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	R. L. Rhyne, Thomasville	2	40	573	613	324	12	55	91.09	78.47	3.60	58.00	231.16
Reeds	C. H. Fritts, Lexington R 3	C. W. Snider, Lexington R3	1	10	150	160	....	12	18	32.00	1.54	3.00	.....	36.54
Rich Fork	J. D. Newton, Thomasville	Willie Bowers. Thomasvl.	1	9	151	160	64	10	....	15.00	11.00	6.00	.....	32.00
Smith Grove	C. F. Simerson, Linw'd R 3	C. E. Young, Linwood R 3.	1	11	78	89	40	12	....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00
Stoner's Grove	S. E. Warfford, Linw'd R 2	J. I. Wrenn, Southmont	1	10	126	136	75	12	1	52.85	32.25	72.18	4.39	161.37
Summerville	Arthur Bean, High Rock.	J. H. C. Thompson, Denton.	1	7	48	55	18	12	....	3.60	.....	.....	.....	3.60
Taylor's Grove	No report	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville	R. S. Harville, Thomasvl.	R. W. Waller, Thomasville.	2	18	300	318	119	12	23	135.30	52.78	208.57	25.00	421.65
Wallburg	C .M. Wall, Wallburg	E. E. Jenkins, Wallburg.	1	7	90	97	30	12	12	58.35	62.69	48.09	12.68	176.76
Walter's Grove	N. H. Prevost, Cid, R 1	Blanche Hughes, Cid R 1	1	6	60	66	11	12	5	2.28	2.64	2.00	.....	6.92
Welcome	W. L. Craver, Welcome	Muncy Haynes, Welcome	1	7	90	97	45	12	....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00
			25	220	2751	2977	1276	....	173	653.49	318.87	677.98	140.07	1472.46

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	H. Missions	Foreign Mis.	S S Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Releif	Other Objects	TOTAL
Abbotts Creek...	$150.00	.....	$ 30.00	$67.00	.....	$ 3.00	$16.50	$ 8.00	$ 20.00	$ 5.00	$ 58.25	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	.....	367.25
Center Hill.....	150.00	.....	.....	8.06	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28.00	188.06
Churchland	200.00	.....	.....	50.48	.....	.....	24.80	16.57	21.16	.....	123.60	.....	.....	10.00	436.31
Denton	300.00	82.65	62.83	53.89	.....	2.30	37.00	38.70	45.37	.....	62.67	12.70	4.51	10.00	712.62
Erlanger	350.00	.....	5.25	.....	5.00	2.00	30.12	43.27	20.00	5.00	10.00	6.00	5.00	43.35	494.89
Gravel Hill	140.00	.....	1.15	10.00	.....	.....	4.00	2.05	5.21	.....	10.00	.....	3.27	32.50	208.18
Holloways	200.00	.....	2.00	8.50	.....	2.00	8.92	6.08	12.00	1.00	16.00	5.07	5.07	50.00	322.64
Huldah	75.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	78.00
Jersey	275.00	2.45	13.25	.....	.....	.....	30.88	22.54	32.56	3.00	45.25	10.00	6.00	12.00	464.00
Lexington 1st Ch	1764.00	2559.33	283.23	176.99	28.75	4.00	150.98	71.90	140.00	.....	209.05	5.00	5.00	124.31	5633.09
Liberty	150.00	.....	24.71	2.59	.....	1.80	15.00	7.00	14.00	1.00	13.00	3.00	3.00	.....	235.10
Lick Creek.....	250.00	100.00	35.80	.....	.....	2.00	10.00	8.00	7.50	.....	11.00	5.50	3.00	.....	432.80
New Friendship.	200.00	.....	.....	6.50	.....	3.15	15.00	.....	15.60	3.00	15.45	4.00	4.00	.....	281.70
Oak Grove.....	138.38	125.00	.....	4.54	.....	.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	5.75	.....	1.00	.....	270.17
Oak Hill.....	50.00	26.46	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	9.26	7.21	.....	2.70	.....	.....	.....	98.63
Orphanage	540.00	.....	83.75	100.34	.....	3.00	127.60	84.29	155.93	7.65	205.43	70.79	25.00	273.31	1775.78
Reeds	175.00	.....	75.00	32.00	.....	2.00	18.50	20.20	30.30	1.54	32.06	5.00	5.00	.....	396.60
Rich Fork.....	112.00	.....	48.00	32.00	.....	2.00	29.00	17.00	30.00	11.00	25.00	7.20	7.40	65.00	385.60
Smith Grove....	100.00	35.00	12.00	25.00	.....	2.00	4.00	4.04	3.06	.....	12.25	2.00	1.88	.....	201.23
Stoner's Grove..	350.00	.....	15.75	52.85	.....	4.18	48.60	30.70	37.97	18.86	81.25	11.64	10.00	8.85	663.63
Summerville	75.00	.....	.....	3.60	.....	1.00	.....	6.74	.....	.....	3.05	.....	.....	.....	89.39
Taylor's Grove ..	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	50.00
Thomasville	536.04	.....	335.59	135.30	32.05	3.50	105.23	30.25	138.75	.....	236.39	20.00	15.45	1821.45	3460.00
Wallburg	.....	60.00	.....	11.00	.....	3.00	80.00	52.08	44.13	10.00	80.35	11.85	10.00	.....	302.41
Walter's Grove..	50.00	.....	8.00	2.28	.....	.40	.76	.76	.....	.....	2.32	.....	.....	.....	64.12
Welcome	80.00	348.50	2.00	10.00	.....	1.00	7.00	5.00	5.00	.....	7.00	.....	3.00	5.17	480.17
TOTAL	5974.42	3349.39	1038.31	795.92	65.80	43.83	758.93	37 43	768.78	69.05	1274.77	179.75	93.63	2463.94	18092.90

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR	POSTOFFICE	CLERK	POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			Number of Males	Number of Females	TOTAL
							By baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Abbotts Creek	J. M. Hilliard....	High Point...	W. D. Spurgeon.	High Point...	3rd	$ 2,000	11	....	2	3	....	1	68	110	178
Center Hill...	.....	.....	Hurbert Smith..	Lexington....	3rd	2,000	2	....	....	3	....	....	47	69	116
Churchland...	B. C. Ingram....	Linwood R. 1.	W. Henry Lomax	Linwood R 3..	4th	1.000	10	1	3	3	1	1	85	115	200
Denton.....	Hoyle Love.....	Denton.....	L. A. Tysinger...	Denton.....	2nd-4th	3.000	16	1	9	....	....	2	69	91	160
Erlanger.....	J. C. Gillespie...	Norwood.....	R. K. Craven....	Erlanger.....	3rd	.....	....	....	9	2	....	....	18	26	44
Gravel Hill...	C. L. Taylor.....	Denton.....	E. M. Russell...	Riley's Store..	2nd-4 h	500	4	....	2	8	....	1	28	26	54
Holloways....	L. M. Holloway..	Southmont....	B. R. Cross.....	High Rock....	2nd	1 000	7	....	2	1	....	....	83	113	196
Huldah.....	J. H. Williams..	High Point...	Vester Moore....	Ashboro.....	4th	500	6	....	....	7	1	1	24	26	50
Jersey.....	F. C. Feezor.....	Linwood R. 2.	L. A. Smith.....	Linwood.....	4th	3.500	5	1	2	12	1	3	60	92	152
Lexington....	R. E. White.....	Lexington....	H. C. Myers.....	Lexington....	Every	37 500	1	....	27	26	3	4	169	241	410
Liberty.....	Hoyle Love.....	Denton.....	H. P. May.....	Hannersville..	3rd	1,000	4	....	....	2	1	....	30	68	98
Lick Creek....	Hoyle Love.....	Denton.....	P. M. Snider....	High Rock...	1st	1 800	2	....	....	10	....	1	48	64	112
New Friendshi	V. M. Swaim....	Winston-Salem	B. F. Charles...	Winston-Salem	1st	5 000	6	....	1	2	....	2	48	79	127
Oak Grove....	E. F. Hellard....	Winston-Salem	Ash Johnson....	Winston-Salem	3rd	1,000	17	....	5	....	....	....	....	....	....
Oak Hill.....	I. M. Mercer....	Thomasville..	M. F. Underwood	Trinity.....	2nd	500	5	....	....	....	....	....	16	30	46
Orphanage....	I. M. Mercer....	Thomasville..	L. W. Bagley...	Thomasville..	2nd-4 h	18,000	54	....	10	22	....	1	101	185	287
Reeds.....	B. C. Ingram....	Linwood R. 1	J. C. Leonard....	Lexington R 3	1st	2,000	20	....	2	2	....	....	71	101	172
Rich Fork....	I. M. Mercer....	Thomasville..	T. H. Small.....	Thomasville..	4th	2,000	11	....	....	2	....	....	52	97	149
Smith Grove..	Floyd W. Fry...	Mocksville....	L. T. Yarbrough.	Salisbury R 7.	1st	1.400	....	....	2	....	1	....	41	47	88
Stoner's Grov	L. M. Holloway..	Southmont....	J. D. Lookabille.	Southmont....	1st-3rd	1,000	1	....	1	....	....	1	56	64	120
Summerville..	C. L. Taylor.....	Denton.....	J. W. Gallimore..	Denton.....	1st	1.200	....	....	....	1	2	1	43	88	131
Taylor's Grove	W. J. Russell....	Albemarle....	D. M. Summey...	Chandler.....	3rd	1.000	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	10	14
Thomasville...	I. M. Mercer.....	Thomasville..	L. E. Teague....	Thomasville..	Every	15,000	29	....	23	9	....	2	92	157	249
Wallburg.....	G. C. Kirksey....	Wallburg.....	J. E. Motsinger.	Wallburg.....	2nd-4th	6,000	14	2	....	....	....	1	53	78	131
Walter's Grove	C. E. Crissman..	High Point...	J. T. Pierce.....	Cid R 1.....	2nd	600	7	....	....	1	....	....	14	35	49
Welcome.....	W. G. Barrs.....	Cooleemee....	C. S. Haynes....	Welcome.....	2nd	3.000	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

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SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION APPORTIONMENTS

Abbotts Creek	$600	a	year	or	$3000 00
Center Hill	400	"	"	"	2000 00
Churchland	600	"	"	"	3000 00
Denton	600	"	"	"	3000 00
Erlanger	600	"	"	"	3000 00
Gravel Hill	200	"	"	"	1000 00
Holloways	400	"	"	"	2000 00
Huldah	100	"	"	"	500 00
Jersey	600	"	"	"	3000 00
Lexington	2000	"	"	"	10000 00
Liberty	400	"	"	"	2000 00
Lick Creek	600	"	"	"	3000 00
New Friendship	200	"	"	"	1000 00
Oak Grove	100	"	"	"	500 00
Oak Hill	100	"	"	"	500 00
Orphanage	1100	"	"	"	5500 00
Reeds	400	"	"	"	2000 00
Rich Fork	200	"	"	"	1000 00
Smith Grove	200	"	"	"	1000 00
Stoners Grove	800	"	"	"	4000 00
Summerville	200	"	"	"	1000 00
Taylors Grove	100	"	"	"	500 00
Thomasville	1200	"	"	"	6000 00
Wallburg	800	"	"	"	4000 00
Walters Grove	100	"	"	"	500 00
Welcome	200	"	"	"	1000 00

MINUTE FUND APPORTIONMENT

Abbotts Creek	$5 00
Center Hill	2 00
Churchland	5 00
Denton	5 00
Erlander	3 00
Gravel Hill	2 00
Holloways	4 00
Huldah	1 50
Jersey	5 00
Lexington	10 00
Liberty	3 00
Lick Creek	3 00
New Friendship	4 00
Oak Grove	2 00
Oak Hill	1 00
Orphanage	8 00
Reeds	5 00
Rich Fork	4 00
Smith Grove	3 00
Stoners Grove	5 00
Summerville	2 50
Taylor's Grove	1 00
Thomasville	8 00
Wallburg	5 00
Walter's Grove	1 00
Welcome	2 00
Total	$100 00

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

J. M. Hilliard.....High Point N. C.
J. S. Hardaway D. D.....Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler D. D.....Thomasville. N. C.
V. M. Swaim.....Winston-Salem, N. C.
R. E. White.....Lexington, N. C.
J. C. Gillespie.....Norwood, N. C.
Floyd W. Frye.....Mocksville, N. C.
C. L. Taylor.....Denton, N. C.
G. C. Kirksey.....Wallburg, N. C.
C. E. Crissman.....High Point, N. C.
J. L. Shinn.....Southmont, N. C.
J. T. Gillespie.....Linwood, N. C.
J. D. Newton.....Thomasville, N. C.
Jeff Lanning.....Denton, N. C.
D. P. Morris.....Norwood, N. C.
H. T. Penry.....Mocksville, N. C.
J. J. Sisk.....Winston-Salem, N. C.
G. L. Merrell.....Thomasville, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Eighty-seventh Annual Session of the Liberty Baptist Association

New Friendship Church,
September 7, 1920.

The Liberty Baptist Association convened with the New Friendship Baptist Church on Tuesday September 7, 1920 at 10 o'clock.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Livingston Johnson. J. C. Gillespie and Daniel Poole led the body in prayer.

Moderator R. S. Green called the body to order and the following messengers were enrolled:

Abbots Creek: N. R. Teague, D. S. Hayworth and Mrs. D. S. Hayworth. Center Hill: William Owen. Churchland: J. T. Gillespie and G. M. Hartley. Denton: U. A. Hedrick, W. B. Russell and Albert Snyder. Erlanger: J. A. Combs and J. C. Gillespie. Gravel Hill: W. D. Loftin. Holloways: D. R. Snyder and Mrs. D. R. Snyder. Jersey: Daniel Sharp and Taylor Sharp. Lexington: G. W. Willer, C. D. Hunt, Mrs. L. F. Barr, Mrs. D. F. Conrad. Mrs. Winona Swaim and G. Foster Hankins. Liberty: B. F: Lee, C. O. Hepler and T. J. Kindley. Lick Creek: not represented. New Friendship: L. C. Stinson, A. J. Hartman and Erastus Swaim. Oak Grove: Ben Johnson, Mrs. Ben Johnson and Ash Johnson. Oak Hill: M. F. Underwood. Orphanage: F. B. Hamrick, M. L. Kesler, Miss Sallie McCracken, Miss Maud Mizelle and Miss Eulalie Turner. Reeds: J. N. Snyder, J. N. Myers, J. A. Myers and Mrs. J. A. Myers. Rich Fork: F. R. Bowers, G. F. Everhart and Stimp Everhart. Smith Grove: L. T. Yarborough. Stoners Grove: C. C. Wrenn and L. C. Lomax. Summerville: Represented by letter. Southside: C. E. Crissman and A. F. Hunt. Taylors

Grove: not represented. Thomasville: R. S. Green, L. E. Teague, Archibald Johnson, Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. R. S. Green, J. S. Hardaway and Mrs. J. S. Hardaway. Wallburg: C. M. Wall, C. C. Smith and G. W. Wall. Walters Grove: not represented. Welcome J. P. Harris.

The association elected officers as follows:

Moderator, R. S. Green; Vice Moderator, V. M. Swaim.

The order of services adopted was as follows:

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

9:30 A. M. Devotional Exercises.

10:00 A. M. Enrollment of messengers and election of officers.

10:30 Miscellaneous Business.

11:00 Annual Sermon.

11:30 Biblical Recorder.

12:30 Woman's Work.

Afternoon

2:00 P. M. Report of Executive Committee and state of churches.

3:00 Sunday Schools.

3:30 Miscellaneous Business.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 8.

9:30 A. M. Devotional Exercises.

10:00 Ministerial Relief.

10:30 State, Home and Foreign Missions.

11:30 Orphanage.

12:00 Education.

Afternoon

2:00 P. M. Report of Committee on Survey.

3:00 Appointment of committees, delegates etc.

The following visiting brethren were invited to seats in the body: B. R. Crowder, Pilot Mountain Association; Livingston Johnson, Raleigh; J. A. Combs, (recently called to the church at Lick Creek) C. E. Crissman, of High Point and Daniel Poole of Winston-Salem. The annual

sermon was preached by J. S. Hardaway from Col. 3:11.

The report on the Biblical Recorder was read by J. C. Gillespie and was as follows:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER.

For the Baptists in North Carolina the Biblical Recorder is the one great agency for the dissemination of denominational knowledge.

With its present list of subscribers it does its work with marvelous effect. Yet we feel that this family of readers should be increased until every Baptist in the state shall receive the benefits of its wholesome influence. We therefore wish to recommend to the churches of this association the following propositions:

1. In every church where it is possible we urge that the Recorder be paid for from the regular budget and placed in the hands of every member of the church.

2. Where it does not seem wise or practicable to follow the first proposition we insist that every church should appoint one of its members as Recorder agent whose duty it shall be to secure subscribers and renewals and in other ways provide for the interests of our denominational paper.

J. T. GILLESPIE.

The report was discussed by Livingston Johnson and was adopted.

The Moderator announced the following committees: Finance, J. T. Gillespie and F. B. Hamrick; Committee to nominate Executive Committee: J. S. Hardaway, G. W. Miller, Daniel Sharp.

Committee to nominate place and preacher for next meeting: C. M. Wall, J. C. Gillespie, John M. Myers.

Adjournment was taken for dinner.

Afternoon

REPORT ON WOMANS WORK

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association has contributed to all objects during the year just closed $3,777.85. The Sunbeams and Junior Societies have contributed $169.21. By comparing with the figures of a year ago, it will be seen that no great gain has been made, but it must be remembered that the Million Dollar Campaign for Christian Education was on the previous year and large amounts were given by the women and children. To go back beyond that it will be seen that the W. M. U. has been keeping pace with the progress made along all lines since the great campaign has

been on, and the women of the Liberty Association can be counted on to keep step with the brethren in every forward movement.

MRS. R. S. GREEN, Secretary W. M. U.

The report was discussed by Archibald Johnson and was adopted.

The report of Executive Committee was read by Archibald Johnson and the report on state of the churches was read by F. B. Hamrick. These reports follow:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Denton field which is composed of Denton, Gravel Hill, Taylors Grove and Liberty churches has lost its pastor, Rev. Hoyle Love, who has resigned to enter the Southern Theological Seminary. There have been 20 additions. Liberty church is completing a well appointed meeting house at a reasonable cost considering the high prices of building material and labor.

The field of which Southmont is the center, composed of Stoner's Grove, Holloways and Center Hill churches, reports good progress. Six additions have been added to the membership. Rev. J. L. Shinn has been on the field about nine months.

Rev. J. C. Giliespie, in addition to the Erlanger church which is planning the building of a commodious house of worship, has accepted the call of the Reeds Cross Roads church. We commend the efforts of our brethren of the Erlanger church to build a suitable house of worship as worthy of the sympathy and practical assistance of the churches of the association.

The Erlanger church has had within the past year 6 additions by baptism and raised $1,643 for all purposes.

Wallburg is still under the leadership of Rev. G. C. Kirksey and reports 6 additions by baptism. This point is one of exceeding importance owing to the large student body of the Liberty-Piedmont Institute who worship there.

Rev. C. E. Crissman is supplying the Southside church which asks for admittance into the association. An appropriation of $72 was made for this point last year.

Oak Hill is without apastor though a Sunday school is maintained.

Rev. Floyd W. Frye is pastor at Welcome which reports good progress.

The combination of fields so that our weakest churches shall have pastoral service is strongly urged by your committee.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

REPORT OF STATE OF CHURCHES

Our minutes of last year record a total of 188 baptisms. The year

previous showed 338 and for the present year the minutes show 238. Summerville leads all the rest with an increase of 73.

We have gone forward in leaps and bounds in raising money and it is good to know that our spiritual tide has not been below the average. The 75 Million Campaign gave us an extra shove which will continue on through the years. Last year the total of pastors' salaries was $7,524.68, this year $9,048.80. We are grateful to record that a number of our country churches have gone forward over 100 per cent and very few of them failed to meet their apportionment.

The work of the women continues to show a substantial growth. From the nine societies they raised $3,779.85 and have gone far over their apportionment to the 75 Million Campaign. The society in the Lexington church has led all the rest in contributions.

It is our hope that we may have more resident pastors during the coming year and that the Executive Committee may have the hearty support of us all in the forming of fields. We regret to lose Rev. and Mrs. Hoyle Love.

To sum it up, our association as a whole has had a good year but we are not satisfied until we have done our best. May the goodness and patience of God lead us forth to larger and better service.

F. B. HAMRICK,
For the Committee.

After discussion by F. B. Hamrick, J. C. Gillespie and J. S. Hardaway the above reports were adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Archibald Johnson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The minutes of last year reported a Sunday school enrollment of 2,868, while our churches reported 3,334 members. Only 1,180 church members paid the least attention to the Sunday schools, or about 35 per cent, leaving 65 per cent who took no part whatever in the Sunday school work.

This is not a pleasant situation and there must be a reason for it. The Sunday school work of the Liberty is not functioning properly. There ought to be a larger proportion of our church members in the Sunday school. These figures must be changed before our Sunday schools fill the mission before them.

All the churches report a Sunday school. This is a matter for rejoicing, for a church that has no Sunday school is not worthy of its name. In this day of intelligence for a church to report no Sunday school is the same as saying that it is dead.

Of the 26 churches in the association only 15 Sunday Schools kept open 12 months in the year for the year ending Sept. 1, 1919. The others were doing business from six to nine months. But the devil did not close up for half the year. He was on the job in those communities every minute.

The best man in the church ought to selected superintendent. If the best man happens to be a woman it will be the part of wisdom to choose the woman. Prompt and faithful teachers are hard to find. A good teacher means a full and interested class, which means a bright and attractive Sunday school.

We deplore the habit of the children, especially in our towns, of failing to attend the church service. If it were necessary for children to omit either, it would be better for them to attend the church service and let the Sunday school go; but it is not necessary to miss either.

We would heartily commend the establishment of organized classes in our Sunday schools. They are coming to be the most powerful element in all our Sunday school work.

And we would recommend the setting apart the collection of one Sunday in the month for the Orphanage. Our schools must not become self-centered, and to avoid this our Sunday school people must be interested in some object outside themselves.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

Discussed by Archibald Johnson and J. A. Combs. Adopted.

The Southside church, formerly known as Amazon Mission, made application for membership in the association. A committee composed of J. S. Hardaway, S. W. Hall and J. C. Gillespie was appointed to examine into the eligibility of the church for membership. The committee subsequently unanimously recommended that the church be received into full fellowship, in the following report:

We your committee appointed to consider the application of Southside church for admission into the Liberty association heartily recommend that the said church be received as a member of this body.

Committee
J. S. HARDAWAY.
J. C. GILLESPIE.
S. W. HALL.

The report was adopted.

J. F. Carter of Winston Salem was invited to a seat in the body.

The committee to nominate the Executive committee recommended the following brethren: Archibald Johnson, G. Foster Hankins, C. M. Wall, John N. Myers, S. E. Warford and R. S. Green ex-officio.

The report was adopted.

The association adjourned.

Wednesday Morning.

Devotional exercises were led by J. C. Gillespie.

The association was called to order by the Moderator.

The minutes of the previous day were adopted.

Reports on State missions, Home missions and Foreign missions were read as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

This report is for the eighty ninth year of our great Baptist State Convention

Brother Walter N. Johnson says: "It is the most wonderful year in our history." The results are not much above the average, but is characterized by an enlarged vision of our task, and by an earnest planning to begin to do larger things. This was the year in which our souls were set on fire for the lost perhaps as never before, and the result a mighty campaign for means and workers to do the work, which culminated in millions of dollars and thousands of workers. There are two tendencies operating in our State Mission work especially this year: the lessening demand for aid in support of weak churches and the growing request for aid in enlisting all churches in all the work of our Baptist State Convention. We are not doing less for evangelization but we are doing more for the development of our evangelized people. There has been paid this year for State Missions $74,066.20. Our Mission Board has had 170 missionaries on the field. They have served 242 churches, and led 1,478 persons to Christ, and baptized out of that number, 1,012. They have been the means of 1177 persons bringing their letters from trunks and other hiding places.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOYLE LOVE

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located in Atlanta Ga., is one of the greatest agencies employed for doing denominational work in all our great Southern country. Its Missionaries are at work in all our states, in many of our large

cities, on the frontiers of our great country, in the Island of Cuba, in the Panama Canal region, among the Indians and the colored people, and among the emigrants who are coming to this country. Through the faithful work of its missionaries thousands are baptized into the fellowship of the churches every year.

Through its department of evangelism great meetings are held in cities and country places and large numbers are brought into the Kingdom of God. There were 12,203 baptisms, 17,419 additions to the churches and 2,335 volunteers for Christian service reported through this department last year.

The Home Board's Enlistment Department is making wonderful progress. Seventy six workers have already been engaged for this year. This work is now conducted in nearly all the states in the South. The Publicity Department of the Home Mission Board during the last year in its tract service printed and distributed approximately 25,000,000 pages in tracts, conveying valuable, helpful and useful information to thousands of our people. This is, by far, the largest work ever done along this line by this department. There are 38 Mountain Schools under the direction of the Home Mission Board. The budget for the Mountain Mission Schools for the new fiscal year totals $219,000. Of this amount $171,000 will be donated to the improvements in the plants and $48,000 to the maintenance. The largest single item in this program is the provision for adding $20,000 to the plant at Mars Hill College in our own beloved state. This school has transformed the highland civilization in a great section. Your committee regrets that they do not have the latest statistical information as to the number baptized last year by the missionaries of the Board.

From Cuba and Panama and other regions where our missionaries are at work encouraging reports are sent. Home Mission work is foundation work. It is the base on which all other work must rest.

To save our Southland should engage our thoughts, call out our prayers and command our sacrifices and our best endeavors.

V. M. Swaim, for Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

This is a day of great things. No longer do we need to prove that Foreign Missions is the work of God. They who do not see this are hopelessly blind. The fruits of the work speak for it in all the world.

What we need to do is to press on with the work in faith, and in prayer. A larger and a more consecrated effort should be our aim.

The Great World War has taught us to attempt big things in the Lord's work. All the denominations have caught the vision, and are responding to it.

Since our Association met Southern Baptists have had their Seventy-five Million Campaign. They carried it through to a glorious success. They raised $92,00 ,000 instead of $75,0 0,000. To our God be the glory.

This achievement means much for all our work—Missions, Education and Benevolence. It means great enlargement in all directions. For Foreign Missions it means $4,000,000 a year for five years as against $1,000,000 a year. It does not set us free from further obligations, but calls to us for more consecration and faith in our God, and prayer for His guidance. It lays upon us a greater burden of responsibility. This great campaign has awakened the churches in a marvellous way. Even the churches on our foreign fields have been profoundly helped and inspired by it. More than a million dollars were pledged to this campaign in foreign lands. It has given great encouragement and comfort to our missionaries.

At meetings of our Foreign Board in June and July sixty-five missionaries were appointed for the foreign field. A large percentage of these set sail for China and Japan on August 17th, last; the new missionaries with a number of old missionaries returning to their work made up the largest missionary party ever sent out on one ship by any mission board.

A most significant fact, and one that will have a large influence on our foreign missionary work was the sailing of Dr. J. B. Gambrell and Dr. E. Y. Mullins on a world-tour, that they might visit the Baptists of Europe and the Far East, bearing from the Southern Baptist Convention a message of greeting and good will. They purpose also to confer with leaders in thought and public life on European conditions, and to learn all they can about missionary conditions and needs.

We are entering upon a new day of enlargement and conquest in the work of evangelizing the world, and all that is best in us is asked for to meet the demands of this crucial hour.

The statistics of the Foreign Mission Board show that we have now 542 churches in foreign lands, one-fourth of which are self-supporting; one-half worship in houses owned by the Board, or by the churches themselves.

6,834 persons were baptized in the year 1919 on our foriegn fields.

We have a total membership of 57,438. These native churches contributed last year $242,460 or about $4.22 per member.

We had in 1919 three hundred and forty-one foreign missionaries and nine hundred and seventy-nine native missionaries. Many other items of interest relating to our work will be found in the minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention.

I will close this report by quoting from the report made by Dr. R. T. Bryan to the Board of the Central China Mission for 1919 in

which he shows the development of the work in that great Mission since he went to China as a missionary.

"It was the writers privilege in coming to China to land in Shanghai on Jan. 10, 1886. Then there were four missionaries in the Central China Mission,—Dr. and Mrs. Yates and Rev. and Mrs. Hunnex. Now there are forty five. Then there was one main station; now there are four. Then there were three churches with less than 100 members; now there are 28 churches, with a membership of 3,000. Then there was no school work: now there are more than 40 schools, with more than 2,500 pupils. Then there were no Sunday schools; now there are 38. Then the Board owned in Central China less than an acre of land and five buildings, now they own seventy-odd acres of land and fifty seven buildings, and rent a great many more buildings. To God be all the glory for this wonderful growth."

When we see this great expansion and growth of the work under the favor of God, we may well rejoice, and praise His holy name for all His mercies and press on unto the time when the gospel shall have been preached unto every creature.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARDAWAY.

After the reading it was moved and carried that discussion of these reports be deferred to a later hour.

The report on Education was prepared by M. L. Kesler as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION

The man with ability to think straight, but without moral purpose will probably be a rascal, and the man with moral purpose and without the ability to think straight will be a fanatic. The education about which we are concerned combines the ability to think straight and high moral purpose. It is about what is included in the word "wisdom" as used by Solomon in the Proverbs. We call this Christian Education. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."—and it is also a characteristic of it all the way through.

A large part of our education must come through state institutions. We have nothing to do with these, except that we ought to make Christian ideals in education so powerfully felt that they may permeate and bless every state school and save us from godless learning.

Perhaps there has never been a time when there was so great a need of Christian ideals in education as now. Two things we must do: First, we must support our schools by giving them equipment and endowment. Our largest giving for the year just before us

ought to be for our schools. Men of large means must be encouraged to give to the schools; and a regular stream of contributions must come in from all the churches. We need a larger sympathy for our own schools. Our own school right here in our midst, Liberty Piedmont Institute, needs at least fifty thousand dollars for equipment. It has shown its ability to live without adequate equipment; what a glorious work might be accomplished if it had it. The other duty we owe is to give a hearty support to our schools by sending our boys and girls to them. They should become household words. Without a powerful home influence for our denominational schools they must die.

The influence for the state high schools is all toward the state institutions. It is a weak and characterless home that cannot direct the child in the choice of a college. Popular indifference to our educational opportunity is one of our greatest perils.

M. L. KESLER

The report was discussed by M. L. Kesler and adopted.

The combined reports on state, home and foreign missions was discussed by Walter N, Johnson of Raleigh and were adopted by the association.

Afternoon

The association was opened with prayer by Daniel Pool.

Ministerial Relief was discussed by G. Foster Hankins. The report follows:

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Our disabled ministers are as much the wards of the churches as our Orphans without a home or a friend. Debarred from accumulating a competence except at the expense of their influence, our pastors pass the productive period with no funds laid up to keep them and their loved ones in comfort. They give their all for us; we are in duty bound to see that they pass their declining days in comfort.

We find joy in making a great Thanksgiving offering for the Orphanage; let us see to it that the disabled ministers secure a worthy Christmas gift.

G. FOSTER HANKINS.

The report was adopted.

The Report on the Orphanage was as follows:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

In many respects this has been a good year. Good business for the business man and good crops for the farmer. Good business and

good crops ought to make easy large and bountiful gifts to the orphan children who have no home except in so far as we provide for them. And as we are guardians of each other in a large measure, it is truer in the case of the orphans. The great Institution at Thomasville makes the Baptist church the greatest guardian in the South. Many have heard, but not realized that it has been the home of 2000 homeless children and is now the home of more than 500 children who have not the loving care of a father or mother. Every Baptist ought to feel a keen interest in the guardian-ship of this great Institution. God has prospered his people bountifully in the past few years, and will He not call an account of our stewardship? But notwithstanding our great prosperity I wish to call attention to the following facts:

1st. The small margin (financially) by which an annual indebtedness is avoided.

2nd. Large numbers of boys and girls are turned away annually because there is not room for them. Let us urge upon our churches to increase their contribuions so that we may soon be able to take care of more of these worthy boys and girls, that they may not be left to grow up and later become inmates of the Jackson Training School and Samarcand.

3rd. That in order for the churches to appreciate thoroughly the work of the Orphanage, that they not only make an offering each month to the support of the Orphanage and an offering each year to the upkeep and support of the Institution, but that ineach church our Sunday schools appoint a committee to visit the Orphanage, at least once a year, and report its appreciation to the church and Sunday school.

May our people, who qualified so nobly in patriotism to make the world safe for democracy and humanity, pause long enough to consider our homeless orphans.

P. L. Feezor.

The report was discussed by Daniel Pool, J. S. Hardaway, C. M. Wall and M. L. Kesler and was adopted.

Roy J. Hart was introduced to the association and addressed the body on Liberty-Piedmont Institute with which he is connected.

Perry Morgan, B. Y. P. U. representative for North Carolina addressed the association with regard to that work.

The report of Committee on Survey was read before the association and was as follows:

(The report was read before the association and re-committed to the committee to be presented for action at the next session of the association with such additions and changes as they see fit to make.)

TO THE LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Dear Brethren:

We the undersigned committee appointed at the last session of the association to recommend a plan for the formation of the churches of the association into permanent compact pastorates beg to submit the following report:

1st-We wish to emphasize the fact, which ought to be self-evident, that we as a committee and the association as a body have no authority nor is it proposed to exercise any in this matter nor have we any disposition to dictate to the churches as to the conduct of this work. We understand fully that we were appointed to recommend a plan for the formation of the churches into pastorates. And even if this report is unanimously adopted by the association it will simply be in the nature of a recommendation that as rapidly as possible the churches be formed into pastorates in accordance with the plan proposed. But let it be distinctly understood that no group of churches is to be organized into a field or pastorate until after each church, acting in its soveriegn individual capacity, shall have agreed to the arrangement.

2nd, But it is distinctly advised and is the profound conviction of your committee that the proposed plan for the formation of the churches into compact fields or pastorates after it shall have been thoroughly discussed by the association and adopted and ratified by the individual action of the churches shall not be temporary and provisional but (subject to changes which cannot be foreseen nor controlled) shall be adopted as the permanent policy of the association. That is to say, we would recommend that the churches in acting upon this matter of the formation of a pastorate shall naturally and severally agree in advance in entering into the arrangement that (except in the event of some exigency arising which could not be forseen and which in the nature of the case necessitates a different course of action) they will unite in calling the same man as pastor and that in the event of the necessity arising for a change of pastors on the part of any one of the churches composing the field the pastor shall resign the whole field. We believe that this is a most vital feature of the plan and it is indispensable to its successful operation.

3-rd If this report (after such modfications as the association may deem wise) shall be adopted, then we recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to secure some brother (preferably one who will volunteer his services without remuneration) as a special enlist-

ment worker to correspond with the churches so far as possible, by personal visitation, and seek as rapidly as possibly to induce them to enter into the proposed arrangement. We recommend that the actual expense incurred in carrying out this plan be provided for by the committee through voluntary contributions for this specific purpose from the churches.

4th-We have given careful consideration to the matter which was referred to us for the past year and according to our best judgment we believe the following arrangement of pastorates is the logical one so far as we can see at present.

It will be seen that we have been governed in our recommendation by what we conceive to be the logical grouping of the churches irrespective of any existing arrangement.

Pastorate No. 1: Lexington and Rich Fork.

Pastorate No. 2: Thomasville, Orphanage and Southside.

Pastorate No. 3: Denton, Liberty, Gravel Hill and Walters Grove

Pastorate No. 4: Stoner's Grove, Holloways and Center Hill.

Pastorate No. 5: Churchland and Smith Grove.

Pastorate No. 6: Erlanger, Reeds, Welcome and Lexington Mission.

Pastorate No. 7: Wallburg, New Friendship, Oak Grove and Abbotts Creek.

Pastorate No. 8: Jersey, Lick Creek, Taylor's Grove and Summerville.

It will be seen from this arrangement that we provided for eight centers as follows: Lexington, Thomasville, Denton, Southmont, Churchland, Erlanger, Wallburg and Linwood. We have at present seven of these points occupied by a resident pastor, or will have when the Denton pastor arrives, but we have no assurance of of a continuation of this arrangement. We ought to have all eight centers with a resident pastor occupying a parsonage owned by the churches jointly. We ought also to have a monthly conference of these pastors.

We feel sure that if this plan or a better one can be put into execution and successfully operated it will add immeasurably to the effectiveness of the work of the churches.

Respectfully submitted this the 7th day of September, 1920.

R. E. WHITE
P. L. FEEZOR
G. C. PALMER

M. L. Kesler was appointed to represent the association in the Southern Baptist Convention in Chattanooga next May, and G. Foster Hankins was requested to rep-

resent the Baptist State Convention in Asheville in November.

J. S. Hardaway was appointed to represent the association on the State Mission board.

The committee on Place and Preacher for next session recommended Churchland as the place and M. L. Kesler the preacher, with R. E. White alternate. The report was unanimously adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports to be read at the next meeting of the association:

Biblical Recorder	G. W. Miller
Orphanage	J. C. Gillespie
Woman's Work	J.L. Shinn
State of the churches	J. T. Gillespie
Sunday schools	G Foster Hankins
Education	V. M. Swaim
State Missions	J. S. Hardaway
Home Missions	F. B. Hamrick
Foreign Missions	M. L. Kesler
Ministerial Relief	C. M. Wall

The following resolution was heartily adopted: The association hereby expresses its sincere appreciation of the generous and beautiful hospitality of the New Friendship community.

A motion to adjourn to meet at Churchland on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September was carried. After the singing of a song by the congregation and prayer by Livingston Johnson the association adjourned.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Clerk. R. S. GREEN, Moderator.

Proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

The fourteenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association convened with the Denton church on Thursday, August 26th, 1920, with Mrs. Winona L. Swaim, associational Superintendent.

"Stand up, Stand up, for Jesus" was sung as the opening hymn. and prayer was offered with Mrs. R. S. Green leading. The scripture lesson on the subject of Stewardship was conducted by Mrs Swaim reading several selections and commenting on the lessons taught and emphasizing the blessings derived from giving the tithe, this being followed by a prayer of thanksgiving and praise for past mercies and blessing.

Another hymn was sung and then every one was made to feel welcome by the cordial words of greeting given by Mrs. Martha Russell of Denton and responded to be Mrs. L. F. Barr of Lexington.

The enrollment of delegates followed and all but one society was represented either by delegates or by letter. It was a cause of gratification to learn that three new Woman's societies, one Sunbeam and one Girls Auxilliary had been organized during the year.

A free for all discussion was entered into as to methods of having contributions credited to the W. M. S. and of giving special offerings.

The Treasurer's report for the year was read and accepted by the Union

The Superintendent made a brief report of her trip to the Southern Baptist Convention at Washington in May. The appointment of committees was as follows:

Nominating Committee

Mrs. Mary Davis — Mrs. G. C. Morris
Mrs. L. F. Barr — Miss Margaret Kinlaw
Mrs. C. C. Pritchard

Committee on Time and Place

Mrs. D. F. Conrad — Mrs. S. E. Warfford
Mrs. B. R. Cross — Mrs. J. S. Daniel

Committee on Resolutions

Mrs. W. H. Johnson — Mrs. J. T. Giliespie

Mrs. G. W. Miller Miss Jack Lookabill

The Obituary committee remained a standing committee

Adjournment for dinner was announced after a prayer by Rev. J. T. Gillespie.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The meeting was opened with a song after which Mrs. J. T. Gillespie conducted devotional exercises.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved. The Superintendent urged the women to secure a copy of the minutes to be used as a reference book in comparing our past work with the present.

A paper on Foreign Missions, prepared by a member of the Thomasville Society was read by Mrs. R. S. Green.

A tract entitled "Give these boys and girls a chance" was read by Miss Margaret Kinlaw, of the Orphanage.

An article on State Missions was read by Miss Tela Beanblossom of the Holloway's Society, at the conclusion of which everybody rose and sang together one verse of the Old North State.

An article on the very important subject of the Training of Children was read by Mrs. L. F. Barr, of Lexington.

Miss Jack Lookabill of Southmont read a paper on Christian Education.

Mrs. F. B. Hamrick of the Orphanage was called upon and made a very encouraging talk.

The nominating committee suggested the following names for election: Superintendent, Mrs. John K. Hankins: Y. W. A. and Junior Work, Mrs. D. F. Hankins; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. R. S. Green. Adopted.

The committee on time and place recommended that the next annual meeting be held at Churchland on the last Thursday in August. Adopted.

The Obituary Committee reported as follows:

It has been said that Death loves a shining mark, and truly the sickle of the Grim Reaper has cut down some of our brightest and best. We are called upon to record the names of three members of our union who have been called to "come up higher" since last we met: Mrs. Burgess Hunt of Lexington; Mrs. Cauly Surratt of Holloways and Mrs. L. C. Skiles of Thomasville. But we mourn not as those who have no hope.

MRS. L. F. BARR
MRS. J. W. TUTTLE
MRS. R. S. GREEN, Committee

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions:

Whereas, The women of Denton Cuurch have given all a most cordial welcome and made us feel at home in our meeting with them, therefore be it resolved.

First, That we wish to express our most sincere appreciation of the kindness shown us in so many ways and the abundant delicious dinner served on the grounds and enjoyed by all.

Second, We would exhort each one present to carry back to their homes a resolve to do greater things for Him who has done so so much for us and to contribute of their means that others may hear of this wonderful Savior. Adopted.

A short talk by Rev. J. T. Gillespie was enjoyed.

The Union decided to start another Church Building Loan Fund Memorial in honor of Rev. Henry Sheets, who served many years as pastor in the Liberty Association. The memorial for Mr. James Smith was overpaid during the year just passed.

The minutes were read and approved and the meeting closed with prayer.

MRS. W. L. SWAIM, Supt.
MRS. R. S. GREEN, Sec,

LIST OF DELEGATES

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Abbotts Creek, Represented by letter; Churchland, Mrs. Pink Barnes, Mrs. J. T. Gillespie, Mrs. R. K. Williams; Denton, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, Miss Bessie Tysinger, Miss Laura Daniel; Erlanger, represented by letter; Holloway's, Mrs. G. C. Palmer, Mrs. B. R. Cross, Mrs. Irvin Smith; Jersey, represented by letter; Lexington, Mrs. L. F. Barr, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs. C. R. Sharp; Orphanage, Miss Margaret Kinlaw, Miss Kate Warwick, Miss Mary Cook; Rich Fork, represented by letter; Stoner's Crove, Mrs. S. E. Woffard, Mrs. G. C. Morris, Mrs. L. C. Lomax; Thomasville, Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. J. S. Daniel, Mrs. R. S. Green; Wallburg, represented by letter.

SUNBEAMS

Denton, Mrs. Hoyle Love; Holloways, Dorothy McCarn, Josie Briggs; Lexington, Florence Swaim; Lexington Mission, Eugenia Webster; Orphanage, represented by letter; Stoner's Grove, Liza Lomax; Thomasville, Margaret Reitzel.

GIRLS' AUXILIARY

Denton, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick.

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Education	Ministerial Relief	Other Objects	Undesignated	Total
Abbots Creek	$ 150 00	.....	$ 90	$ 50 00	$.....	$ 5 00	$26 00	$ 60 00	$ 90 62	$10 00	$ 335 15	$20 00	$ 6 40	$.....	158 40	$ 1099 57
Center Hill	250 00	.....	100 00	26 05	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 57	.....	.....	.....	75 75	493 42
Churchland	500 00	$6425 22	68 00	140 85	15 00	5 00	24 50	16 36	20 45	.....	17 40	3 05	.....	724 63	46 70	8160 16
Denton	450 00	.....	.....	64 00	.....	.....	144 55	117 75	175 00	3 72	83 80	50 00	26 95	90 80	.....	1206 57
Erlanger	600 00	380 05	34 50	.....	9 26	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	143 38	.....	.....	.....	361 40	1593 89
Gravel Hill	125 00	2 00	.....	15 00	.....	2 00	5 00	8 25	15 00	.....	25 00	8 25	6 75	.....	10 00	205 25
Holloway's	450 00	.....	3 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	126 42	.....	.....	48 58	417 24	1065 24
Jersey	275 00	228 00	.....	17 79	.....	3 00	25 0	11 00	25 00	3 00	64 50	10 00	6 00	277 20	.....	945 52
Lexington	2101 80	1878 34	717 17	1148 80	.....	25 00	78 78	683 06	156 10	.....	337 22	.....	.....	50 81	.....	8257 63
Liberty	200 00	35 0 00	1 25	.....	.....	3 00	.....	29 00	45 00	.....	41 00	.....	11 60	59 12	.....	3889 97
Lick Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Friendship	200 00	132 0	7 00	16 75	.....	4 25	20 00	24 00	24 00	5 00	37 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	.....	510 00
Oak Grove	.....	.....	.....	16 00	.....	1 00	1 00	3 20	1 00	.....	18 00	....	1 00	20 00	.....	61 20
Oak Hill	75 00	.....	48 00	6 00	.....	.....	2 00	7 25	9 80	.....	18 35	...	3 35	.....	.....	169 75
Orphanage	540 00	17 70	89 50	138 71	.....	8 00	340 75	230 33	240 64	12 48	353 63	156 29	61 51	142 45	.....	2331 99
Reeds	300 00	100 0	30 00	40 0	.....	2 00	20 00	10 00	50 00	.....	106 48	.....	10 00	10 00	.....	678 48
Rich Fork	150 00	.....	50 00	37 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 50	.....	.....	6 00	261 00	548 50
Smith Grove	165 00	.....	.....	51 36	17 06	5 00	4 00	3 00	7 00	1 00	37 27	2 00	2 00	2 50	83 50	381 79
Stoner's Grove	475 00	.....	13 21	30 11	.....	4 00	63 84	53 04	54 29	.....	308 69	.....	16 11	187 14	.....	1205 43
Southside	72 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 85	.....	.....	.....	12 50	101 75
Summerville	175 00	402 00	.....	.....	63 45	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 32	.....	.....	78 16	92 00	826 93
Taylor's Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville Firs	1040 00	.....	.....	239 14	25 00	10 00	38 62	77 29	66 32	.....	380 35	53 60	.....	230 09	1211 13	3373 54
Wallburg	600 00	.....	543 50	.....	81 15	5 00	32 50	46 50	48 90	.....	429 66	.....	.....	431 05	.....	2216 71
Watter's Grove	75 00	.....	.....	5 91	.....	1 00	5 00	.....	5 70	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	6 25	100 36
Welcome	80 00	500 00	5 00	12 00	.....	1 00	14 63	2 00	7 00	.....	20 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	.....	650 63
Total	9048 80	10415 32	1711 03	1975 46	210 92	94 65	846 18	1382 03	1041 82	35 20	3125 14	310 19	158 67	2370 53	1666 38	40074 24

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			No. Males	No. Females	TOTAL
					By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Abbots Creek	J. M. Hilliard, High Point	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	3rd Sun.	$ 2,000	18	5	...	1	...	2	72	123	195
Center Hill	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	C. E. McCarn, Lexington	3rd Sun.	2,000	...	...	...	2	...	2	44	66	110
Churchland	J. T. Gillespie, Linwood	W. H. Lomax Linwood	1st, 3rd, 4th	10,000	5	7	1	8	...	4	85	119	204
Denton	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	5	...	6	...	...	...	...	...
Erlanger	J. C. Gillespie, Lexington	J. L. Hembree, Lexington	1st	.....	6	41	...	29	2	...	35	57	92
Gravel Hill	Hoyle Love, Denton	E. M. Russell, Rileys Store	4th	600	...	...	...	2	1	...	25	27	52
Holloways	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	B, R. Cross, High Rock	2nd and 4th	1,500	...	...	...	2	...	1	83	110	193
Jersey	H. T. Penry, Mocksville	L. A Smith, Linwood	4th	4,500	2	1	...	7	...	2	54	90	144
Lexington	R. E. White, Lexington	H. C. Myers, Lexington	Every	40,000	17	33	2	13	...	5	200	264	464
Liberty	Hoyle Love, Denton	H. P. May, Thomasville, R. 3	3rd	3,000	8	8	1	2	...	...	39	73	112
Lick Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Friendship	V. M. Swaim, Winston-Salem	A. J. Hartman, Winston-Salem	1st	4,000	7	5	...	1	1	1	47	77	124
Oak Grove	J. G. Sisk, Winston-Salem	Ash Johnson, Winston-Salem	3rd	1,200	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	18	33
Oak Hill	Hoyle Love, Denton	M. F. Underwood, Trinity	3rd	1,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	24	35
Orphanage	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	2nd and 4th	25,000	41	22	1	21	2	...	117	228	345
Reeds	Hoyle Love, Denton	J. C Leonard, Lexington R. 3	1st	2,000	28	2	...	2	...	1	81	113	194
Rich Fork	R. E. White, Lexington	T. H. Small, Thomasville	4th	2,000	7	...	...	...	...	1	55	101	156
Smith Grove	F. W. Fry, Mocksville	L. T. Yarborough, Salisbury R. 3	2nd	2,000	...	3	...	4	...	...	52	57	109
Southside	C. E. Crissman, High Point	.....	1st and 3rd	1,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	16	27
Stoners Grove	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	J. D. Lookabill, Southmont	1st and 3rd	2,000	6	2	...	3	...	...	59	75	134
Summerville	D. P. Morris, Norwood	J. A. Gallimore, High Rock	1st	1,500	73	5	2	3	...	4	89	116	205
Taylors Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thomasville First	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Every	20,000	8	18	...	15	1	1	92	170	262
Wallburg	G. T. Kirksey, Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	2nd and 4th	6,000	6	...	1	14	...	...	55	75	130
Walters Grove	Hoyle Love, Denton	J. T. Pierce, Cid	2nd	500	3	...	1	...	...	1	13	31	44
Welcome	W. L. Barrs, Cooleemee	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	2nd	3,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	23	50
				133,800	247	157	9	135	7	25	1361	1953	3314

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT AND POST OFFICE	SECRETARY AND POST OFFICE	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Ch. Mem. in S. S.	Mos. Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total
Abbott's Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	J. P. Trantham, High Point	1	6	80	86	50	12	12	50.00	.....	85.00	.....	135.00
Center Hill	J. F. Jarrett, Linwood	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	1	6	58	64	....	12	...	26.05	.....	8.00	.....	34.05
Churchland	W. H. Lomax, Linwood	Miss Viola Leonard, Linwood	1	14	238	252	105	12	5	140.85	13.27	170.40	1470.42	1794.94
Denton	U. A. Hedrick, Denton	L. R. Loftin, Denton	1	7	150	157	111	12	11	64.00	.....	83.80	40.80	188.60
Erlanger	(Union School)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gravel Hill	W. D. Loflin, Riley's Store	Ruby Ridge, Riley's Store	1	7	75	82	40	12	...	15.00	.....	3.00	.....	18.00
Holloways	J. W. Dickens, Jr., Lexington	Mrs. Emma Smith, High Rock	1	6	165	171	....	12	...	20.00	59.96	74.45	.....	154.41
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	R. A. Tate, Linwood	1	7	79	86	.....	...	2	17.79	.....	23.80	27.13	68.72
Lexington	G. W. Miller, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	2	28	537	565	250	12	7	1148.80	163.44	125.00	.....	1437.24
Liberty	(No Sunday School Report)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lick Creek	(No Sunday School Report)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Friendship	Elmer Snyder, Winston-Salem R. 5	John Wilson Winston-Salem R 5	1	5	137	142	....	12	...	16.75	.....	.....	10.00	26.75
Oak Grove	C. A. Brendle, Winston-Salem	Ash Johnson, Winston-Salem	1	4	38	42	20	12	...	16.00	7.20	18.00	20.00	61.20
Oak Hill	(No Sunday School Report)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	N. A. Hayes, Thomasville	1	37	433	470	185	12	41	146.12	149.81	5.58	172.76	474.27
Reeds	C. H. Fritts, Lexington R. 3	Clyde Snider, Lexington	1	10	160	170	....	12	20	40.00	.....	19.48	.....	59.48
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Miss Ruth Edinger, Thomasville	1	9	168	177	52	12	...	25 00	.....	6.00	6.00	37.00
Smith Grove	C. F. Simerson, Linwood, R 3	C. E. Young, Linwood, R 3	1	8	76	84	36	12	...	51.36	.....	.....	.....	51.36
Stoners Grove	C. C. Wrenn, Southmont	S. N. Warford, Southmont	1	9	111	120	50	12	6	30.11	.....	252.68	66.25	358.89
Summerville	E. G. Snider, High Rock	Walter Bean, High Rock	1	6	150	156	100	12	8	38.00	.....	.....	.....	38.00
Southside	N. A. Clodfelter, Thomasville	Will Eyerly,, Thomasville	1	5	60	65	....	12	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville First	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	A. Z. Boles, Thomasville	1	12	320	332	135	12	7	239.14	16.00	283.08	.....	538.22
Wallburg	Paul Mason, Wallburg	E. E. Jenkins, Wallburg	1	8	112	120	60	12	6	.....	40.50	429.66	431.05	901.21
Walters Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid	Blanch Hughes, Cid	1	6	60	66	10	12	...	5.91	.....	.....	.....	5.91
Welcome	M. L. Craver, Welcome	Muncy Haynes, Welcome	1	8	90	98	30	12	...	12.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00
			22	208	3297	3505	1224		125	2152.88	388.82	1587.95	2244.40	6395.25

WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETY, SUNBEAMS AND GIRL'S AUXILIARY STATISTICAL TABLE

W. M. S.	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	No. Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Loan Fund	Bible Fund	Training School	Orphanage	Christian Education	75 Million Campaign	State Ex. Fund	Asso. Ex. Fund	Other Objects	TOTAL
Abbots Creek	Mrs. N. R. Teague, H Point, R 3	Miss Minnie Hayworth	16							51 70		50 00				101 70
Churchland	Mrs. W. A. Beeker, Linwood	Mrs. W. H. Lomax	9	2 50	2 62	5 00			3 05	30 00					192 50	235 67
Denton	Mrs. Hoyle Love, Denton	Mrs. Mary Davis	18			24 00	10 00	5 00		56 00	21 80	133 75	3 00	1 00	25 85	280 40
Erlanger	" N. C. Martin, Lexington	Mrs I. B. Hawkins	10	5 00	10 00	5 00						100 00		85		120 85
Holloways	Miss Tela Beanblossom, High Rock	Miss Mattie Bean	33	15 00								154 20				169 20
Jersey	Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Linwood	Miss Sadie Sharpe	24	14 90	16 60	23 16				15 70					157 50	227 86
Lexington	" Winona L. Swaim, Lexington	Mrs. C. R. Sharp	100	145 85	413 00	58 26	217 50		5 00	45 00			5 00	5 00	12 90	907 51
Orphanage	Miss Margaret Kinlaw, Thomasville	Miss Sallie L. McCracken		162 32	128 86	156 26	28 52		75 00	235 35	28 92		3 00	9 10	41 90	869 23
Rich Fork	Mrs. Ivey Fowler, " R 1	Miss Lillian Edinger	17									29 45				29 45
Stoners Grove	" G. C. Morris, Southmont	Miss Zula Wrenn	20	16 00	15 60		5 00		5 00	33 54					7 25	82 39
Thomasville	" R. S. Green, Thomasville	Mrs. L. E. Teague	27	55 50	48 74	29 20	25 00	5 00	43 60		10 00	465 51	2 60	1 60	6 50	693 25
Wallburg	" J. W. Tuttle, Wallburg	Mrs. J. B. Motsinger	10	13 30	25 50	6 85	5 00		5 00	24 45	20 00		70		187 50	288 30
				430 37	660 92	307 73	291 02	10 00	136 65	491 74	80 72	932 91	14 30	17 55	606 05	4,005 81

SUNBEAMS	LEADER	PRESIDENT	No. Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Loan Fund	Bible Fund	Margaret Fund	Orphanage	State Ex. Fund	Jr. School	Other Objects	TOTAL
Denton	Mrs. Hoyle Love			2 50	1 25	1 25		2 00	2 00		1 00			10 00
Holloways	Mrs. W. H. Johnson	Delkie Bean	22	1 50	2 00	2 50								6 00
Lexington	Mrs. D. F. Conrad	Eugenia Webster	72	9 00	41 57	20 52	4 00					4 56	2 35	82 00
Lexington Mission	Eugenia Webster	Minnie Leigh Welborn	45	1 25										1 25
Orphanage	Miss Roxie L. Harris	Inez Ducker	32	3 24	4 98	3 06	91	1 32	1 98				74	17 38
Stoners Grove	Mrs. O. E. Stoner	Mattie Leigh Wrenn		3 87	2 67					5 71				12 25
Thomasville	Mrs. C. F. Lambeth	Virginia Leigh Teague	39	2 82	20 55	9 42		1 00	1 74					35 53
G. A.														
Denton	Mrs. N. A. Hedrick		15				1 00			2 00			1 80	4 80